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Northeast digs out after storm closes schools, slows commute

By PHILIP MARCELO and RODRIQUE NGOWI
Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — With the official start of spring weeks away, a winter storm dumped more than a foot of snow on parts of the northeastern U.S. overnight Monday, prompting school closures, power outages and a messy morning commute.

Temperatures were then expected to plunge into the teens overnight and linger there for the most of the week, raising the risk of dangerously icy conditions, officials and meteorologists warned.

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Firefighters Nick Padellaro, left, and Kevin Lundy clear snow from in front of the firehouse after an overnight storm dropped nearly a foot of snow, Monday, March 4, 2019, in North Andover, Mass. Associated Press



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House Democrats launch aggressive new Trump probe

By **MARY CLARE JALONICK**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats launched a sweeping new probe of President Donald Trump on Monday, an aggressive investigation that threatens to shadow the president through the 2020 election season with potentially damaging inquiries into his White House, campaign and family businesses.

House Judiciary Committee Chairman Jerrold Nadler said his panel was beginning the probe into possible obstruction of justice, corruption and abuse of power and is sending document requests to 81 people linked to the president and his associates.

The broad investigation could be setting the stage for an impeachment effort, although Democratic leaders have pledged to investigate all avenues and review special counsel Robert Mueller's upcoming report before trying any drastic action. Nadler said the document requests, with responses to most due by March 18, are a way to



President Donald Trump speaks at Conservative Political Action Conference, CPAC 2019, in Oxon Hill, Md., Saturday, March 2, 2019.

"begin building the public record."

"Over the last several years, President Trump has evaded accountability for his near-daily attacks on our basic legal, ethical, and constitutional rules and norms," said Nadler, D-N.Y. "Investigating these threats to the rule of law is an ob-

ligation of Congress and a core function of the House Judiciary Committee."

Trump dismissed the Nadler probe and others as futile efforts "in search of a crime."

"Ridiculous!" he exclaimed on Twitter.

Separate congressional probes are already swirling around the president, including an effort announced Monday by three other House Democratic chairmen to obtain information about private conversations between him and Russian President Vladimir Putin.

In a letter to the White House and State Department, the House intelligence, Foreign Affairs and Oversight and Reform panels sent broad requests for details about Trump and Putin's private meetings by phone and in person. In addition to document requests, the committees are asking to interview interpreters who sat in on meetings, including a one-on-one session in Helsinki last summer.

The State Department pledged to "work cooperatively with the committees."

The new probes signal that now that Democrats hold a majority in the House, Trump's legal and political peril is nowhere near over, even as the special counsel's Russia investigation

winds down.

They are also an indication of the Democrats' current strategy — to flood the administration with oversight requests, keeping Trump and his associates on trial publicly while also playing a long game when it comes to possible impeachment. While some more liberal members of the Democratic caucus would like to see Trump impeached now, Democratic leaders have been more cautious.

Trump told reporters after Nadler's probe was announced that "I cooperate all the time with everybody."

He added: "You know, the beautiful thing? No collusion. It's all a hoax."

Mueller is investigating Russian intervention in the 2016 election and whether Trump's campaign conspired with Russia. But the House probes go far beyond collusion. The House intelligence panel has announced a separate probe not only into the Russian interference but also Trump's foreign financial interests. The Oversight and Reform Committee has launched multiple investigations into all facets of the administration.

The 81 names and entities on the Judiciary Committee's list touch all parts of Trump's life — the White House, his businesses, his

campaign and the committee that oversaw the transition from campaign to presidency. There are also people connected to Russian interference in the 2016 campaign, including participants in a meeting at Trump Tower with a Russian lawyer before the election. The committee is also asking the FBI, the Justice Department and others for documents related to possible pardons for Trump's former personal lawyer, Michael Cohen, former national security adviser Michael Flynn and former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort. All three have been charged in special counsel Mueller's investigation.

In a request sent to the White House, the committee asks for information surrounding former FBI Director James Comey's termination, communications with Justice Department officials, the Trump Tower meeting and multiple other matters. Trump Press Secretary Sarah Sanders said the White House had received the letter and "the counsel's office and relevant White House officials will review it and respond at the appropriate time."

The panel's list includes two of the president's sons, Donald Trump Jr. and Eric Trump, and many of his current and former close advisers, including Steve Bannon, longtime spokeswoman Hope Hicks, former Press Secretary Sean Spicer and former White House Counsel Don McGahn.

The letters to Hicks and Spicer ask them to turn over any work diaries, journals or "a description of daily events related to your employment" by Trump. The committee asked McGahn for documents related to any discussion involving Trump regarding the possibility of firing Mueller around June of 2017 "or any conversation in which President Trump stated, in words or substance, that he wanted the Mueller investigation shut down, restrained or otherwise limited in or around December 2017." □

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"Well, we finally got a good one. We've been waiting a whole winter and it finally came," said Michael Raab as he used a snow blower to clear his driveway in the Boston suburb of Arlington, Massachusetts, on Monday. "The kids were happy there is a snow day. I hope we won't have too many more of these since we're looking forward to the spring." But, at least in New England, the snowy weather isn't completely done: more could be on the way Friday or Saturday. That storm is still too early to predict, but it shouldn't be as significant, said Bryce Williams, a Boston-area meteorologist for the National Weather Service.

Monday's storm, which started Sunday night but hit the hardest in the early morning hours, was the largest storm parts of New England have seen in a relatively quiet winter.

Boston saw about 10 inches of snow, but parts of Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts saw up to 16 inches (41 centimeters), according to the National Weather Service. The Boston-area has now registered about 26 inches (66 centimeters) of snowfall this season, still below the region's average of over 35 inches (90 centimeters). "It just takes one storm and we're up back close to where we typically are this time of year," said Williams. "We caught up quite a bit with this one system."

New Englanders have grown accustomed in recent years to seeing winter start slowly and linger past its welcome.

"We're kind of used to it by now," said Tracy Scatterday as she shoveled snow

and her two daughters played outside their house in Arlington. "I feel like March is our month now for snow." Meanwhile, just 5 inches (13 centimeters) of slushy snow fell in New York City and quickly began to melt Monday.

The modest totals were still enough for Democratic Mayor Bill de Blasio to close schools, as did hundreds of other communities throughout the country impacted by the storm.

In parts of Nebraska, dangerously cold temperatures prompted closures as wind chill temperatures registered as low as 40 below zero (minus 40 Celsius) Monday morning.

In the Philadelphia-area, the storm appears to have contributed to the death of two teens in a single-car accident about 30 miles (48 kilometers) Sunday evening. The driver, a 17-year-old, was hospitalized.

And in New England, nearly 60,000 customers were without power at the storm's peak, though many of those had their power restored by the afternoon. In the Boston suburb of Needham, a snowplow struck a gas meter at an assisted living complex, triggering a gas leak and forcing more than 100 elderly residents to evacuate. No injuries were reported and residents were able to return after a few hours.

In northern Maine, a small regional jet carrying 28 passengers and three crew members slid off a runway at Presque Island International Airport.

The pilot and three passengers suffered minor injuries, and part of the plane's landing gear appeared to have been torn away as it came to rest in deep snow Monday morning. □



Residents clear snow after an overnight snowstorm dropped nearly a foot of snow, Monday, March 4, 2019, in Marlborough, Mass.

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In this Feb. 26, 2019 file photo, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., speaks to reporters on Capitol Hill in Washington.

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By **BRUCE SCHREINER**
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell acknowledged

Monday that opponents of President Donald Trump's declaration of a national emergency along the U.S.-Mexico border have

McConnell: Enough Senate votes to reject Trump's wall move

enough votes in the Republican-led Senate to prevail on a resolution aimed at blocking the move.

McConnell, who fell in line behind Trump despite his own misgivings about the declaration, said Trump will veto the resolution and that it's likely to be sustained in Congress. McConnell's remarks in his home state came after fellow Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul became the latest GOP lawmaker to say he can't go along with the White House on the emergency declaration.

"I think what is clear in the Senate is there will be enough votes to pass the resolution of disapproval,

which will then be vetoed by the president and then, in all likelihood, the veto will be upheld in the House," McConnell told reporters.

Besides Paul, other Republican senators who have announced they'll defy Trump on the issue are Susan Collins of Maine, Lisa Murkowski of Alaska and Thom Tillis of North Carolina. With those four, and assuming that all 47 Democrats and their independent allies go against Trump, that would give opponents 51 votes — just past the majority needed.

Paul told reporters Monday that based on conversations with colleagues, there are "at least 10" GOP senators prepared to vote to nullify Trump's move. The vote is expected next week.

The Democratic-led House recently voted to upend Trump's declaration, which he declared to circumvent Congress and funnel billions of extra dollars to erecting his proposed border wall.

Asked Monday if the Senate can try to amend the resolution, McConnell said senators have been consulting with the parliamentarian about "what options there are, if any."

McConnell, who has worked closely with Trump on the tax system overhaul, the selection of conservative judges and other issues, acknowledged he had counseled the president against making the declaration. The Senate leader said he's worried that Trump's move would set a precedent for future Democratic presidents to make such a declaration for their own purposes.

"That's one reason I argued, obviously without success to the president,

that he not take this route," McConnell said.

Many lawmakers opposed to the emergency declaration say it tramples Congress' constitutional power to control spending. They also are concerned Trump would siphon money from home-state projects to barrier construction.

McConnell didn't comment Monday on Paul's position on the declaration. At a GOP dinner this past weekend in Kentucky, Paul said: "I can't vote to give the president the power to spend money that hasn't been appropriated by Congress.

"We may want more money for border security, but Congress didn't authorize it. If we take away those checks and balances, it's a dangerous thing," Paul added, according to the Bowling Green (Ky.) Daily News.

Under the declaration, Trump would divert \$3.6 billion from military construction to erect more border barriers. He's invoking other powers to transfer an additional \$3.1 billion to construction. Lawsuits have been filed aimed at derailing the declaration, which could at least prevent Trump from getting the extra money for months or more.

Other lawmakers including Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., have been trying to persuade Trump to abandon the emergency declaration and draw the money from other budget accounts that he has the power to tap.

Paul said he spoke to Trump Sunday night and detected no signs of backing down. "I think he's made his decision," he told reporters. □

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FBI: Meticulous work links deadly bomb to California suspect

By **AMY TAXIN** and **BRIAN MELLEY**

Associated Press

ORANGE, Calif. (AP) — A California man was arrested in a spa explosion that killed his ex-girlfriend last year after authorities painstakingly analyzed remnants of a bomb they traced to the suspect, his home and car, federal prosecutors said Monday.

Stephen Beal, 59, had been arrested shortly after the bombing last year for investigation of possessing explosives, but was freed when prosecutors questioned whether material found at his home met the legal definition of a "destructive device." After further tests, Beal was arrested Sunday and charged with malicious destruction of a building that included a death, a charge that could carry a life sentence.

Ildiko Krajnyak, 48, was killed and two female clients were severely wounded May 15 when she opened a box that erupted in a fiery explosion at the spa in the city of Aliso Viejo, about 50 miles (80 kilometers) south of Los Angeles, investigators said. "This was a horrific intentional attack that killed an innocent woman and severely injured two others," U.S. Attorney Nick Hanna said at a news conference in Orange, California.

Krajnyak had told friends she was afraid of Beal after he made threats following their breakup. Beal told investigators he felt betrayed when she told him she was in a relationship with another man, Hanna said.

Authorities suspect Beal, a partner in the salon, delivered the bomb to the business while Krajnyak was visiting family in Hungary.

Krajnyak had returned from that trip and had just finished treating a mother and daughter, who were at the front desk when she picked up one of three or four cardboard boxes and opened it.

The blast knocked the two customers off their feet and the older woman told police it lit "everything on fire."

First responders thought they were dealing with a car bombing or gas main rupture, said Paul Delacourt, the FBI's assistant director in charge of the Los Angeles office.

The explosion blew out a big hunk of the building and body parts were found in the parking lot.

Beal — a model rocket hobbyist — was arrested at the time and released when prosecutors dropped a charge against him. Over nine months, investigators were able to make the case by piecing together fragments from the bomb that they could connect to Beal, including a battery, a wire and boxes similar to the one that delivered the fatal blow.

"While the victim had expressed fears about Mr. Beal and he possessed material that could be used to manufacture a bomb, it was forensic evidence collected at the scene, analyzed and pieced together into a coherent whole that allowed us to file this case," Hanna said.

Delacourt detailed how investigators and personnel at the agency's Quantico, Virginia, lab were able to connect Beal to internal components of a battery found 10 days after the blast.

The battery part was traced to a specific shipment that arrived in the U.S. from China and ended up in a store near Beal's home. Video showed Beal paying cash for that type of battery. Investigators were able to eliminate others who bought those batteries from suspicion.

"This was the exhaustiveness of the effort," Delacourt said.

Beal was ordered detained after a brief appearance in Santa Ana federal court. He did not enter a plea and is scheduled for arraignment March 25.

His lawyer declined to comment.

Beal had denied making bombs and said he did not have material for an explosion as powerful as the one he saw in news coverage, according to court records



This May 16, 2018 file photo shows the home occupied by Stephen Beal in Los Beach, Calif.

Associated Press

from last year.

At the time, investigators said they found two improvised explosive devices, three firearms and more than 100 pounds (45 kilograms) of explosive material during a search that Beal allowed of his house.

Steve Young, a friend and neighbor, said he does not think Beal is capable of harming anyone.

"I don't feel that he's the type of person that would do this sort of thing," he said

Beal and Krajnyak split

up, but remained business partners at the spa where she was a licensed cosmetologist.

An affidavit in support of the arrest said during a voluntary interview Beal said the romance "cooled" in early 2018. □

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This Feb. 19, 2013, file photo shows OxyContin pills arranged for a photo at a pharmacy in Montpelier, Vt.

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OxyContin maker: Lawsuit distorts facts, scapegoats company

By **BOB SALSBERG**
Associated Press

OxyContin maker Purdue Pharma is asking a court to throw out a lawsuit filed by Massachusetts' attorney general that accuses the company, its owners and top executives of deceiving patients and doctors about the risks of opioids. In its most expansive response to date, Connecticut-based Purdue argued in a motion filed late Friday that the state makes "sensational and inflammatory allegations" in its bid to hold the company accountable for America's deadly opioid addiction crisis, and called for the lawsuit to be dismissed "as oversimplified scapegoating based on a distorted account of the facts." Jillian Fennimore, a spokeswoman for Democratic Attorney General Maura Healey, said Monday the office would fight the attempt to dismiss the case but did not immediately comment on specific arguments made in the company's filing. The lawsuit, filed last year and later amended after the company lost a bid to keep portions of it confidential, claims the company sought to profit off a crisis it helped trigger by telling doctors that OxyContin had a low addiction risk

and pushing prescribers to keep patients on the drug longer. Court documents submitted by the state claimed a member of the Sackler family that owns Purdue Pharma said at a launch party for the opioid painkiller in the 1990s that it would be "followed by a blizzard of prescriptions that will bury the competition." The company contends the state is presenting internal company documents in a misleading fashion. "Recognizing the weakness of its legal theories, (Massachusetts) has resorted to the creation of a sensationalist and distorted narrative that ignores facts and mischaracterizes numerous e-mails and business documents," the motion states. Healey's lawsuit is among more than 1,000 by state and local governments that are pending against drug makers in connection with the opioid crisis that claimed more than 72,000 lives in 2017, according to federal statistics. While most of the suits name multiple defendants, the Massachusetts case focuses solely on Purdue and the Sackler family. Purdue contends in its latest court filing that many of the marketing and labeling issues raised by Massachusetts around

OxyContin have already been addressed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and in a 2007 consent agreement that stemmed from an earlier criminal case. The company also points to the state's own data and policies in a bid to weaken the basis for the lawsuit, including a recent Department of Public Health report indicating that fentanyl and other illegal drugs — and not prescription painkillers — played a direct role in the vast majority of overdose deaths in Massachusetts last year. Moreover, Purdue noted, state-funded health care programs cover Purdue's opioid products as "brand preferred" medications. In a 2017 report to the state Legislature, however, Republican Gov. Charlie Baker's administration sought to connect the dots between prescription painkillers and the addiction scourge. "Compared to the general population, those who received three months of prescribed opioids in 2011 were 4 times as likely to die from an opioid-related overdose within one year, and 30 times as likely to die of an opioid-related overdose within five years," the report stated. □

Cocaine, meth on rise in Pennsylvania's early warning areas

By **MARC LEVY**
Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Methamphetamine and cocaine use are on the rise in Pennsylvania while prescription drug and heroin deaths are leveling off in some areas, data that appears to reflect nationwide trends.

Jennifer Smith, secretary for Pennsylvania's Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, told a state Senate committee Monday that the state is seeing "quite an uptick" in cocaine and methamphetamine use in three early warning areas.

The Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Johnstown areas are usually the first to show new trends across Pennsylvania, Smith said.

"We kind of knew it was coming, we just didn't know how quickly that trend was going to start shifting across the state," Smith said in an interview later Monday.

A similar shift has emerged in some Midwestern states, and federal officials have expressed worry about a trend nationwide.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency reported in October a concern that methamphetamine and cocaine use are being seen at much higher levels in areas that haven't historically been hotspots for those drugs.

"Cocaine and methamphetamine are definitely on the rise," U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency spokesman Rusty Payne said Monday.

New surges in the use of methamphetamine and cocaine mixed with fentanyl, a powerful synthetic opioid, have contributed to rising drug overdose deaths reported in hard-hit Ohio. Kentucky reported last year that methamphetamine made a comeback, with a 57 percent increase in overdose deaths from 2016 to 2017.

Similar reports are emerging from Philadelphia.

Smith pointed to a Philadelphia Department of Public Health report showing a rising number of overdose deaths that involved cocaine and fentanyl, from 18 percent in 2016 to 32 percent in 2017.

Law enforcement seizures, police tracking of sales and reports from people needing medical treatment also point to growing use of cocaine and meth in Pennsylvania, Smith said. In October, the U.S. attorney's office in Pittsburgh reported the largest seizure of methamphetamine in the history of western Pennsylvania.

But Smith said the opioid crisis might be starting to wane in some parts of Pennsylvania, which saw some of the nation's steepest increases in drug overdose rates in recent years. Some areas of Pennsylvania are starting to see fewer overdose deaths, as more robust health care and law enforcement programs come online, and more people seek treatment, she said.

Nationally, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention figures showed a slowdown in overdose deaths in late 2017 and the first three months of 2018. □

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23 dead, dozens missing in tornado-blasted Alabama community

By KIM CHANDLER and JEFF MARTIN

Associated Press

BEAUREGARD, Ala. (AP) —

Rescue crews using dogs and drones searched for victims amid splintered lumber and twisted metal Monday after the deadliest U.S. tornado in nearly six years ripped through a rural Alabama community. At least 23 people were killed, some of them children.

Dozens were missing in Lee County nearly a day after the twister struck, according to the sheriff, who said that crews had combed the hardest-hit areas but that other places had yet to be searched.

The winds Sunday afternoon obliterated numerous homes, leaving huge, jumbled piles of wood and household belongings. Some homes were reduced to concrete slabs. Debris was scattered across the countryside, with shredded metal hanging from the pine trees.

"I'm not going to be surprised if we don't come up with some more deceased. Hopefully we won't," Coroner Bill Harris said. He said the dead included almost entire families and at least three children, ages 6, 9 and 10.

On the day after the disaster, volunteers used chain saws to clear paths for emergency workers. Neighbors and friends helped one another find some of their belongings in the ruins. At the R&D Grocery, rattled residents asked each other if they were OK. And a big banner that read "#BEAUREGARDSTRONG" was



Debris from a home litters a yard the day after a tornado blew it off its foundation, at right, in Beauregard, Ala., Monday, March 4, 2019.

hung on a fence at Beauregard High School.

"I'm still thanking God I'm among the living," said John Jones, who has lived most of his life in Beauregard, an unincorporated community of roughly 10,000 people about 60 miles east of Montgomery near the Georgia state line. The National Weather Service said one and possibly two tornadoes struck the area, with a powerful EF-4 twister with winds estimated at 170 mph (274 kph) blamed for most of the destruction. It carved a path nearly a mile (1.6 kilometers) wide and 24 miles (39 kilometers) long, said meteorologist Chris Darden. Darden said the "monster tornado" was the deadliest twister to hit the U.S. since May 2013, when an EF-5 killed 24 people in Moore, Oklahoma.

"It looks like someone almost just took a giant knife

and scraped the ground," Sheriff Jay Jones said.

County Emergency Management Director Kathy Carson said she was a "pretty sure" that tornado sirens in Beauregard sounded warnings but that authorities were busy with the search-and-rescue and had not yet looked into the question.

Crews searching door-to-door used dogs as well as drones that can detect heat from a body. "We're basically using everything we can get our hands on," the sheriff said.

President Donald Trump tweeted that he told the Federal Emergency Management Agency to give Alabama "the A Plus treatment."

The twister was part of a powerful storm system that slashed its way across the Deep South, spawning numerous tornado warnings in Georgia, South Carolina

and Florida.

Don Willis, who lives near the Lee County community of Smiths Station with his wife, four daughters and four dogs, said the twister came within about a mile of their home as the children and pets took cover in the closet and bathroom. He said he had been through numerous tornadoes over the years and had never heard one as loud.

"You could feel the energy that it was sucking into that system. It was the most crazy sound," Willis said. "It sounded like a living, breathing beast."

Beauregard, named for a Confederate general, is in a corner of the same county that is home to Auburn University. The community has a few small stores, two schools and a volunteer fire department dotting the main highway that runs it. "Everybody in Beauregard

is a real close-knit family," Clardy said. "Everybody knows everybody around here. Everybody is heart-broken."

Julie Morrison and her daughter-in-law picked through the ruins of Morrison's home in Beauregard, looking for keys and a wallet. They managed to salvage her husband's motorcycle boots and a Bible.

Morrison said she and her husband took shelter in the bathtub as the twister lifted their house off the ground and swept it into the woods. "We knew we were flying because it picked the house up," Morrison said, figuring that the shower's fiberglass enclosure helped them survive. She said her son-in-law later dug them out.

Along one hard-hit country road, giant pieces of metal from a farm building dangled from pine branches 20 feet (6 meters) in the air, making loud creaking sounds as the wind blew. For an entire mile down the road, pines were snapped in half. A mobile home crushed by two trees marked the end of the path of destruction.

An early March tornado outbreak in the Alabama-Mississippi area is not unusual, tornado experts said. The weather service's Storm Prediction Center in Norman, Oklahoma, posted forecasts for higher tornado activity in the region on Thursday, three days before the disaster. University of Georgia meteorology professor Marshall Shepherd said government forecasters "were all over it." □

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Far right gains in Estonia eyed for clues to EU-wide vote

By **JARI TANNER**
Associated Press

TALLINN, Estonia (AP) — Tiny Estonia has become the latest European country with a political landscape reshaped by a populist party promising national survival in an age of globalism, a development noted Monday in light of European Union parliament elections. Political observers watched a parliamentary election held Sunday in the Baltic nation, an EU and NATO member that borders Russia, as a continental barometer for whether far-right nationalists would continue making gains. And in Estonia, they did.

While the center-right Reform Party, which ran on a low-tax, small-government platform, will be tasked with forming a government, the anti-immigrant, euroskeptic Estonian Conservative People's Party more than doubled its seat tally in parliament.

Reform Party leader Kaja Kallas is expected to become the country's first female prime minister after



Chairman of the Estonian Conservative People's Party (EKRE) Mart Helme speaks at the headquarters after parliamentary elections in Tallinn, Estonia, early Monday, March 4, 2019.

Associated Press

her party finished with 28.8 percent of the vote. The party said before the election it would not consider the Estonian Conservative People's Party, or EKRE, as a potential governing coalition partner.

The far-right party nevertheless captured a larger

platform for its positions, some of which critics see as homophobic and racist. Martin Helme, who runs EKRE with his father and leads its parliament caucus, has said publicly that only white immigrants should be allowed into Estonia.

On election night, Helme

said the party's growing popularity was "no different than almost all other countries in Europe, where there's a serious public demand for political parties who will stand up against the globalist agenda" and European Union policy-makers.

But the "biggest achievement" the vote count reflects is "We are dictating the Estonian political agenda," he said. In recent years and months, support for populist parties with nationalist agendas has grown in Europe, from Poland and Hungary to France and Italy. The outcome in Estonia bore similarities to what happened in Sweden last year. The Sweden Democrats, a party with neo-Nazi roots, won 62 seats in the 349-member parliament on Sept. 9, making it the third-largest party.

The other parties ruled out forming a coalition government that included the Sweden Democrats. It took four months before a two-party, center-left minority government took office.

In some countries, including Italy, nationalist surges followed large influxes of immigrants. In others, like Poland and Estonia, mass migration has been a source of anxiety even though the number of arriving migrants has been extremely small. □

France's Macron makes pro-European plea before EU elections

By **SYLVIE CORBET**
Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — French President Emmanuel Macron urged European Union citizens on Monday to use their votes in the upcoming European Parliament elections to protect and strengthen an "endangered" Europe.

In a column posted on the website of French newspaper Le Parisien, Macron wrote: "Never, since the World War II, has Europe been as essential. Yet never has Europe been in so much danger."

The French leader, who campaigned as a strong



French President Emmanuel Macron attends a press conference with German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the Elysee Palace in Paris, Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2019.

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supporter of the European Union, called Brexit a symbol of the problems plagu-

ing Europe, alleging that "lie" and "irresponsibility" led to Britain's scheduled

departure from the EU at the end of the month.

He advised voters in the May 23-26 EU parliament elections to reject nationalist parties that "offer nothing."

Macron decided to directly address the bloc's voters to an effort to use the elections to give a new boost to the EU, his office said.

Macron suggests Europe should be more independent from other world powers.

He proposes the creation of an agency that would provide every member state with experts to protect their voting process from cy-

berattacks and other manipulations. He also wants to ban the financing of EU political parties by foreign powers.

To better handle the migrant crisis, Macron calls for stricter border controls and a common border force. He suggests introducing common asylum rules.

Macron also proposes a defense treaty to define the bloc's fundamental obligations in association with NATO, including increasing defense spending. Macron stresses that Britain should be associated to decisions in this field —even after Brexit. □

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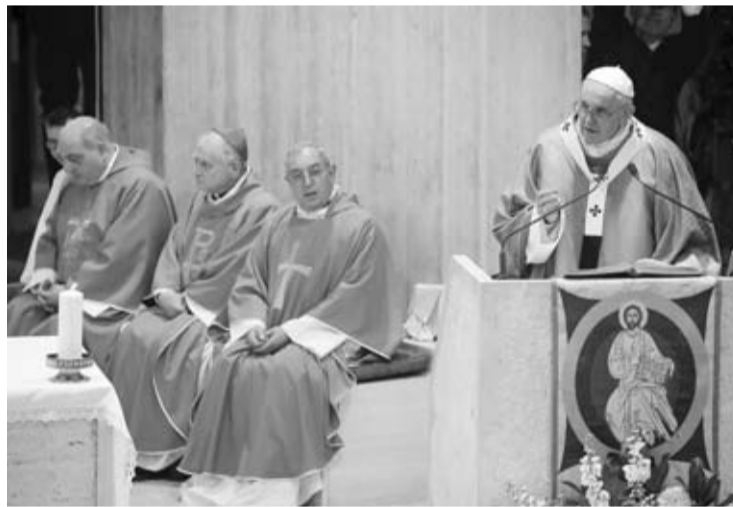
Pope: Vatican next year to open archives on wartime Pius XII

By **FRANCES D'EMILIO**

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Declaring that the church “isn’t afraid of history,” Pope Francis said Monday he has decided to open up the Vatican archives on World War II-era Pope Pius XII, who has been criticized by Jews of staying silent on the Holocaust and not doing enough to save lives. Describing that criticism as fruit of “some prejudice or exaggeration,” Francis told officials and personnel of the Vatican Secret Archives that the documentation would be open to researchers starting March 2, 2020.

The move could speed up Pius’ path to possible sainthood, a complex process that in Pius’ case bore the weight of questions of what he knew and did about Nazi Germany’s systematic killing of Europe’s Jews. Pius was elected pope on March 2, 1939, six months before World War II erupted in Europe. He died on Oct. 9, 1958, at the Vatican summer residence at Castel Gandolfo, near Rome. The Vatican usually waits 70 years after the end of a pontificate to open up the relevant archives. But the Holy See has been under pressure to make the Pius XII documentation available sooner and while Ho-



Pope Francis delivers his speech during a Mass in the St. Crispino parish church, in the Labaro neighborhood, Rome, Sunday, March 3, 2019.

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locust survivors are still alive.

“The church isn’t afraid of history,” Francis told the archive staff.

He said the Pius papacy included “moments of grave difficulties, tormented decisions of human and Christian prudence, that to some could appear as reticence.”

Instead, Francis said, they could be seen as attempts “to keep lit, in the darkest and cruelest periods, the flame of humanitarian initiatives, of hidden but active diplomacy” aimed at possibly “opening hearts.” Francis words appeared to echo the long-held Vatican defense of Pius which maintains that the Italian pontiff used behind-the-scenes diplomacy to try to

save lives.

Eugenio Pacelli, the future Pius XII, gained diplomatic experience in the period following World War I, serving the Holy See in postings in Munich and Berlin in Germany.

In Jerusalem, the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial commended Francis’ decision, expressing the expectation that “researchers will be granted full access to all the documents stored in the archives.”

Those hailing the decision to open the archives also saw usefulness in dealing with present challenges of anti-Semitism and religious persecution and not just deepening understanding of the past.

Israeli President Reuven Rivlin called opening the Vati-

can archives “particularly important in these days of ongoing anti-Semitic attacks, the rewriting of history and attempts to deny the Holocaust.”

Rabbi Arthur Schneier, a Holocaust survivor who has led a New York synagogue in New York since 1992 and received a papal knighthood four years ago for his activism promoting religious freedom, said “the archives will reveal what was done and what could have been done in the face of Nazi tyranny, particularly the persecution of the Jews that led to the Holocaust.”

The archives “might also be a useful instrument on how to deal with dictators of our day who disregard human life, human rights and inflict suffering on their people,” said Schneier, who heads the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, which advocates for religious freedom and human rights.

Vatican archivists had already started preparing the documentation for consultation back in 2006, at the behest of Francis’ German-born predecessor, Benedict XVI.

For decades, Jewish advocates had lobbied for access to the documentation to help answer the long-standing question of whether Pius did all he

could to save lives during World War II.

In New York, Rabbi David Rosen, the international director for interreligious affairs at the American Jewish Committee, called Francis’ decision “enormously important to Catholic-Jewish relations.”

“It is particularly important that experts from the leading Holocaust memorial institutes in Israel and the United States objectively evaluate as best as possible the historical record of that most terrible of times — to acknowledge both the failures as well as the valiant efforts made during the period of the systematic murder of 6 million Jews,” Rosen said.

Monsignor Sergio Pagano, in charge of the Vatican Secret Archive referred in comments Monday to the thousands and thousands of files, letters and other material to be made available.

Writing in Vatican newspaper L’Osservatore Romano Monday, Pagano said the archives “spoke, speak, and, I hope, will speak to researchers and to historians of an almost superhuman work of Christian humanism” amid mid-20th century events “that seemed determine to annihilate the very notion of human civilization.” □

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Hundreds leave IS-held area in Syria as fighting slows down

By SARAH EL DEEB
Associated Press

BAGHOUZ, Syria (AP) — Hundreds of people including fighters from the Islamic State group evacuated their last foothold in eastern Syria Monday hours after U.S.-backed Syrian fighters said they were forced to slow their advance because the extremists are using civilians as human shields.

But despite this hinderance, spokesman for the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces Mustafa Bali tweeted that the battle to retake Baghouz, the last territory in Syria held by the Islamic State group, was "going to be over soon."

Later Monday, an SDF official said some 500 people, including fighters, have surrendered and evacuated the village of Baghouz and its surrounding areas. Ciyager, the nom de guerre of an official with the Kurdish-led SDF, added that 200 more people are expected



Columns of black smoke billow from the last small piece of territory held by Islamic State militants as U.S. backed fighters pounded the area with artillery fire and occasional airstrikes in Baghouz, Syria, Sunday, March 3, 2019.

to evacuate the village of Baghouz later Monday. Dozens of men, women and children climbed hills on foot and were later seen getting into small trucks after they were searched by

SDF fighters manning the evacuation corridor. Shortly before sunset, more than 20 cars came out of the area carrying men, women and children some of whom appeared to be

foreigners. Some of the men were of fighting age and appeared able while others carried crutches. One woman covered in black flashed a victory sign as she left.

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An SDF official who goes by Mervan The Brave said many IS gunmen are still inside and prepared to fight. "This is not the end. We maybe on the threshold of a new battle," he said.

He said those who left the IS-held area on Monday include people from Bosnia, Turkestan, Kazakhstan, Turkey, Syria and a man who claims he's French.

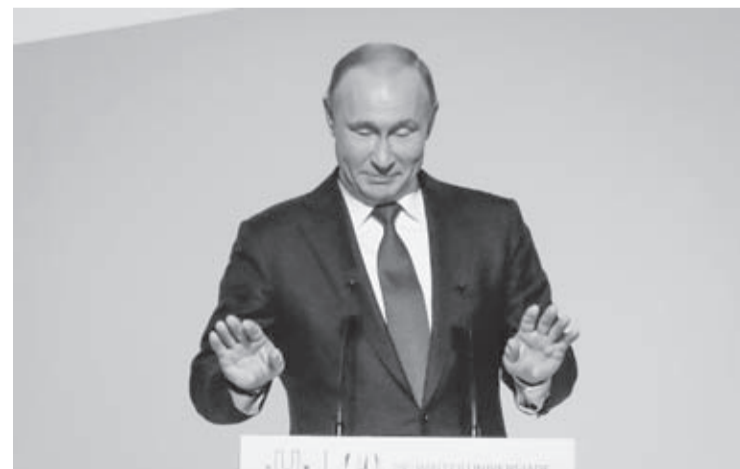
An airstrike followed but it was not exactly clear what it targeted.

An SDF spokeswoman said the offensive has slowed down but pressure is being kept up away from the corridor to prevent fighters from infiltrating or sabotaging the area.

She spoke on condition of anonymity because she was not authorized to speak to the press.

The U.S.-backed forces resumed their offensive on Baghouz last Friday, after a two-week pause to allow for the evacuation of civilians. □

Putin suspends Russian obligations under key nuclear pact



Russian President Vladimir Putin gestures while speaking during the opening ceremony for the 29th Winter Universiade games at the Platinum Arena in Krasnoyarsk, Russia, Saturday, March 2, 2019.

Associated Press

By VLADIMIR ISACHENKOV
Associated Press

MOSCOW (AP) — President Vladimir Putin on Monday suspended Russia's participation in a key nuclear arms treaty, in response to Washington's decision to withdraw. In a decree, Putin suspended Russia's obligations under the terms of the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces treaty and said it will continue to do so "until the U.S. ends its violations of the treaty or until it terminates."

Putin's order came as Gen. Valery Gerasimov, the

head of the Russian military's General Staff, met in Vienna with U.S. Gen. Joseph Dunford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for talks on strategic stability. The INF treaty was one of the issues discussed in what the Russia's Defense Ministry described as "constructive" talks. The U.S. gave notice of its intention to withdraw from the INF a month ago, setting the stage for it to terminate in six months unless Moscow returns to compliance. Russia has denied any breaches, and accused the U.S. of

violating the pact. The U.S. has accused Russia of developing and deploying a cruise missile that violates provisions of the pact that ban production, testing and deployment of land-based cruise and ballistic missiles with a range of 500 to 5,500 kilometers (310 to 3,410 miles). The move also reflected President Donald Trump's administration's view that the treaty was an obstacle to efforts needed to counter intermediate-range missiles deployed by China, which isn't part of the treaty. □



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Seoul calls for three-way talks after Trump-Kim collapse

By KIM TONG-HYUNG
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) —

South Korea has proposed semiofficial three-way talks with the United States and North Korea as it struggles to put nuclear diplomacy back on track after the collapse of a summit between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

The proposal for the talks came during a National Security Council meeting on Monday led by South Korean President Moon Jae-in, who said it was Seoul's "outmost priority" to prevent nuclear negotiations between the U.S. and North Korea from derailing.

At the meeting in Seoul's presidential palace, Foreign Minister Kang Kyung-wha said the proposed talks, which could include civilian experts from the U.S. and South Korea, would help settle differences over how much sanctions relief Washington should provide North Korea in exchange for nuclear disarmament steps.

Last week's meeting between Trump and Kim in Vietnam broke down over what the Americans said were North Korea's excessive demands for sanctions relief in exchange for a limited offer to shut down its aging main nuclear complex in Yongbyon. North Korea reportedly has other sites producing weapons-grade uranium hidden around the country.

Kang said the core issue is determining what disarmament steps North Korea could be persuaded to take in exchange for sanctions relief.

Moon lobbied hard for the revival of nuclear diplomacy between the U.S. and North Korea following ele-



vated tensions in 2017 over North Korea to narrow their before the South shut them

South Korean President Moon Jae-in, right, presides over a meeting of the National Security Council at the presidential Blue House in Seoul, South Korea, Monday, March 4, 2019.

Associated Press

North Korea's missile and nuclear tests and Trump's threats to bring "fire and fury" on the North. Some experts say the breakdown of the Trump-Kim talks in Vietnam raised further doubts about Moon's claim that Kim is genuinely interested in dealing away his nuclear weapons and about Moon's role as mediator.

"We hope that both countries will continue their dialogue and that their leaders meet again quickly to reach an agreement that was held off this time," Moon said at Monday's meeting, which was also attended by the prime minister, spy chief and ministers of defense and inter-Korean affairs.

"In the process, our role has become important once again," Moon said. "While I believe the United States-North Korea negotiations will eventually reach an agreement, it's never desirable for a vacuum in dialogue or stalemate to be prolonged," he said, urging South Korean officials to find ways for the U.S. and

differences. Moon said South Korea will continue to push ahead with engagement with North Korea within the boundaries of U.S.-led international sanctions against the North.

Moon has prioritized stabilizing bilateral relations with North Korea amid the larger nuclear negotiations between the U.S. and North Korea, saying inter-Korean reconciliation will drive progress in nuclear talks. But his call for partial sanctions relief to encourage nuclear disarmament steps by North Korea has caused disagreements with Washington, which does not want to give up what it sees as its main leverage with the North.

Moon's government plans to hold discussions with the United States over the possibility of restarting operations at a joint Korean factory park in the North Korean border town of Kaesong and tours by South Koreans to the North's Diamond Mountain resort. These projects provided much-needed cash to North Korea

While Moon's spokesman said South Korea will see if there's any possible way to restart the projects under the "framework" of current U.N. and U.S. sanctions, experts say that would be impossible.

The U.N. Security Council has so far restricted sanctions exemptions to non-commercial infrastructure projects and would likely need to pass an entirely new resolution on North Korea for inter-Korean economic activities to resume, which is difficult to imagine until Kim takes deeper steps toward completely and verifiably relinquishing his nuclear weapons, said Lim Soo-ho, an analyst at the Seoul-based Institute for National Security. □

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Guaido returns to Venezuela, calls for more street protests

By **CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA**
Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)

— A defiant Juan Guaido returned home to Venezuela on Monday despite concerns the opposition leader might be detained and urged supporters at a rally to intensify their campaign to topple the government of President Nicolas Maduro.

The 35-year-old leader of Venezuela's National Assembly showed off his passport before climbing onto scaffolding and pumping his fist during the demonstration in Caracas, delighting euphoric followers whose efforts to oust Maduro have fallen short in a nation gripped by a humanitarian crisis.

There were few security forces nearby and no immediate comment from Maduro's government, which has tried to divert the public's attention to carnival festivities Monday and Tuesday. While thousands of Venezuelans heeded Guaido's call for protests coinciding with his return, many wonder whether he can maintain momentum against a government that, while under extreme pressure itself, has relentlessly cracked down on oppo-



Venezuelan Congress President Juan Guaido, an opposition leader who declared himself interim president, shows his passport to supporters as he leads a rally demanding the resignation of Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro in Caracas, Venezuela, Monday, March 4, 2019.

Associated Press

nents in the past, jailing or driving into exile top opposition leaders.

"We know the risks that we face. That's never stopped us," Guaido said after arriving at Venezuela's main airport and going through immigration checks. He was greeted by top diplomats from the United States, Germany, Spain and other countries who possibly hoped to head off any move to detain Guaido by bearing witness to

his return. "We hope there won't be any escalation and that parliamentary immunity is respected," said Spanish Ambassador Jesus Silva Fernandez.

The United States and some 50 other countries have recognized Guaido as the legitimate leader of Venezuela, arguing that Maduro's re-election last year was invalid because popular opposition candidates were barred from running. At the rally, Guaido called

for massive protests on Saturday and said he would meet Tuesday with public employee unions controlled by the government of Maduro, who retains the support of military generals despite the desertion of hundreds of lower-ranking military personnel.

"The regime must understand, the dictatorship must understand... that we're stronger than ever. We'll continue protesting, we'll continue mobilizing," said

Guaido, who had ignored an official ban on foreign travel to leave Venezuela last month.

Guaido visited Colombia, Brazil, Paraguay, Argentina and Ecuador over the past week — all countries that support his claim to be Venezuela's interim president and call on Maduro to resign so that the country can prepare for free and fair elections.

"The international community must unite and push for the end of Maduro's brutal regime and the peaceful restoration of democracy in Venezuela," U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said. Colombian President Ivan Duque tweeted that Guaido's homecoming was part of the "irreversible path that Venezuela has taken toward democracy." U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres called for dialogue by all parties to end the political impasse.

"We obviously remain very concerned about the situation in Venezuela," U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric said. "It's important from the secretary-general's viewpoint that all actors — all political actors in Venezuela and abroad — make all efforts to lower tensions." □

In Brazil, Carnival pays tribute to slain councilwoman



A woman wears a crown with the words "Marielle present," in honor of slain councilwoman Marielle Franco, during the "Se Benze que da" block party which she created in 2005, in the Mare slum of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019.

Associated Press

By **DIANE JEANTET**
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Rio de Janeiro's samba competition is getting political

as one of city's top samba schools pays tribute Monday to slain councilwoman Marielle Franco, an activist for gays and Afro-Brazilian

rights who was killed almost a year ago.

Mangureira, one of the oldest samba schools in Rio, included Franco in a parade honoring Brazil's hidden heroes, those that history books often forget or choose not to mention.

Franco's partner, Monica Benicio, was expected to take part in the parade.

"Marielle (Franco) was a woman, a fighter, from the favela, who overcame inequality, went to university, was elected councilwoman, fought for minorities, denounced and investigated public power," said Deivid Domenico, who co-wrote Mangureira's samba anthem for this year's Carnival.

For the composer, the need

to write about the slain councilwoman and Brazil's forgotten history was all the more important this year as Brazilians recently elected a far-right president who has repeatedly praised the 1964-1985 dictatorship.

Franco grew up in Rio's Mare favela and was black and homosexual - a rarity in Brazil's overwhelmingly white and male political spectrum. She was shot to death March 14 along with her driver. To date, authorities have not arrested the culprit.

Franco "was not only a human being, it was an idea, a force," Domenico said. "She became a fighting flag."

The move did not please everyone. Rio state law-

maker Rodrigo Amorim, who last year showed off a street sign honoring Franco that he and another candidate had broken, told the newspaper O Globo that he was disappointed the samba school included the councilwoman in its parade.

"Just as universities are absolutely dominated by this cultural dictatorship that the left is trying to impose, unfortunately it has also reached the samba school," Amorim told O Globo.

Amorim, who belongs to the same far-right PSL party that brought President Jair Bolsonaro to power in the last election, did not respond to emailed requests for comment. □

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The Caquetios of Cayciba, Rock island agro ceramists.



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Episode VIII: The culture of death of the Caquetios

Through the ages of history, slowly but surely, at least out of our modern perspective, man provoked and forged his own particular way of existence within the norms of conduct towards his natural surroundings. He learned of his ecosystem and how to adapt and dominate important steps toward civilization. As he became sedentary the heavy burden of carrying, and caring for the elderly during long migratory trip has almost disappeared completely, which consequently offered better care and quality of life in general for a the entire community. Caring for their dead was also a very important part of life and that did not differ on our island.



Pic.1 funeral urn with cover

When we observe how each group or tribe cared for their deceased, we find that our Aruban ancestors also performed their special ceremonies of devotion and respect. Caring for their past away relatives was an honor. From archaeological findings, a lot can be determined of their social and political organizations and by studying remains of their graves, a differentiation in their status and hierarchy can clearly be established for each individual by their remains for example. Four or five different ways of burying were practiced by the inhabitants of the large villages. These differences represent, without a doubt, social differences in these Dabajuroid communities. The background of the recorded differences remains a mystery as yet, but the differences, by any doubt, are evidence of the status of people, families or groups within the community.

Dead people were buried in the soil within the village and some with special gifts in their grave. However, some were found without any gift. This means they were either buried without any gifts, or the gifts were perishable, and disappeared without leaving a trace for us. The gifts that we find in some dead were buried in large earthenware vessels or urns:



Pic.2 Fetus position burial

direct-urn-burial. These vessels probably are the same as those discussed in our previous episodes, as large storage and liquid-containing vessels. Secondary-urn-burials are also found in the Dabajuroid villages. Such burials are the result of a complicated process: in fact, the dead is buried twice. The dead body is buried first in the soil, after some months or even years, the bones are excavated. These bones or bone remains subsequently get their permanent resting place in a rather small vessel. If, after such a procedure, the bones are buried in a large vessel, the archaeologist may misinterpret it as a direct-urn-burial.

We have a fairly good idea of the whole process of secondary-urn-burial from the descriptions exist-



Pic. 3. The shaman is giving his esoteric speech in anticipation to the ceremony

ing on such 'double' burials. They are practiced up to this day by the Guajiro Natives, living on the peninsula of same name in the Venezuelan and Columbian border. More comparisons can be drawn between the Guajiro and the pre-Columbian population of Aruba, such as their environment, food and religion, which had all to do with how natives, particularly of this area, related themselves to the world of the dead and beyond; how to prepare each and one of their deceased relatives for their spiritual journey through the underworld and out in the land of their dead ancestors and friends. There is evidence that the Dabajuroid people, apart from these four

burial types within the village, had a fifth type: in caves outside the village.

Also, there is information on the dead themselves. The Dabajuroid Amerindians, in contrast to their pre-ceramic predecessors, had low and wide skulls. They were a new population element _and not totally sure to confirm_ that no inter-tribal mixing had occurred with the descendants of the earlier fisher-hunter-gatherer societies. If you've liked our stories, we'll be back again, next week with another episode. We recommend you make a reservation for a personal Etnia Nativa experience at etnianativa03@gmail.com and take Aruba home with you. □

Atelier '89 presents 2 workshops for the month of March



ORANJESTAD — Ateliers '89 Academia di Bellas Artes Aruba presents 2 workshops for the month of March. The invited international guests are Lyubov Matyunina from Russia who will be presenting the workshop "Carpetologia" and also from Italy Margherita Soldati who will be presenting the workshop called "Cuento Plastic". The workshops will take place at Atelier '89

located at Dominicanessenstraat 34, Oranjestad.

'What a plastic!' by Margherita Soldati

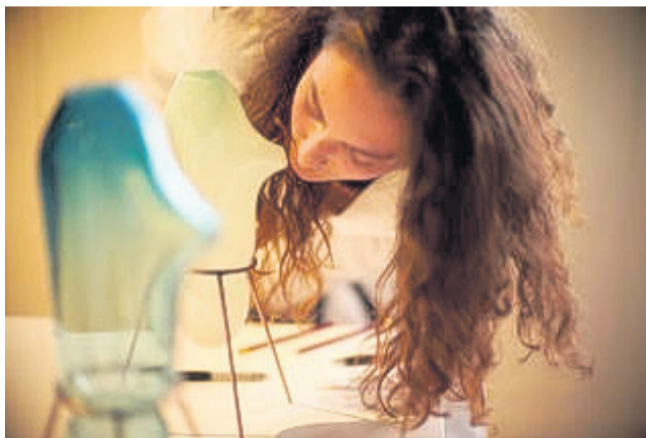
This will take place from March 18th till April 11th.

During the four weeks of the workshop, you will create a tactile sculpture by using only plastic waste collected from Aruba. By mixing colors and shapes, trying different build-

ing techniques and by manipulating the plastic you will end up with a tactile 3D object. Throughout the workshop, you will also reflect on the value of touch and tactility in art and architecture, so that the final sculpture will not only meant to be looked at but also be touched. On the opening night of April 11th you will exhibit your sculpture in a group show!

BIO

Margherita Soldati (1991, IT) graduated last summer at Gerrit Rietveld Academie. Now she runs her artist practice in Amsterdam. At the moment she is represented by Mediamatic in Amsterdam and she is exhibiting at Museum Jan Cunen in Oss. On the side, she is teaching workshops in a textile school called diytexileschool. Before graduating from Gerrit Rietveld Academie Margherita also graduated from Industrial Design in Turin, she worked together with Maurizio Montalti at Officinal Corpuscoli, with Mediamatic, Waag Society, De Appel and with a few more Dutch institutions. She exhibited her works in Holland, Italy and Germany. She also worked for over a year as event manager 't Fijnhout a cultural centre in Amsterdam where art, music, and theatre were being staged.



'Carpetologia' a workshop by Russian artist Lyubov Matyunina

This will also take place from March 18th till April 11th.

In this workshop you will make carpets with different materials that have to do with nature, architecture, folk stories, myth and legends of Aruba. Since Aruba has mystical background and the art of storytelling is quite visible. You will have to collect the stories and the fairy tales of the land and visualize them into the carpets.

Theme: Fairy tales/folk tales of Caribbean, myth and fantasies.

Goal: To visualize folklore heritage and translate stories into carpets.

Technique: Patchwork, embroidery, application, stamps/printing, linocut, painting and photography.

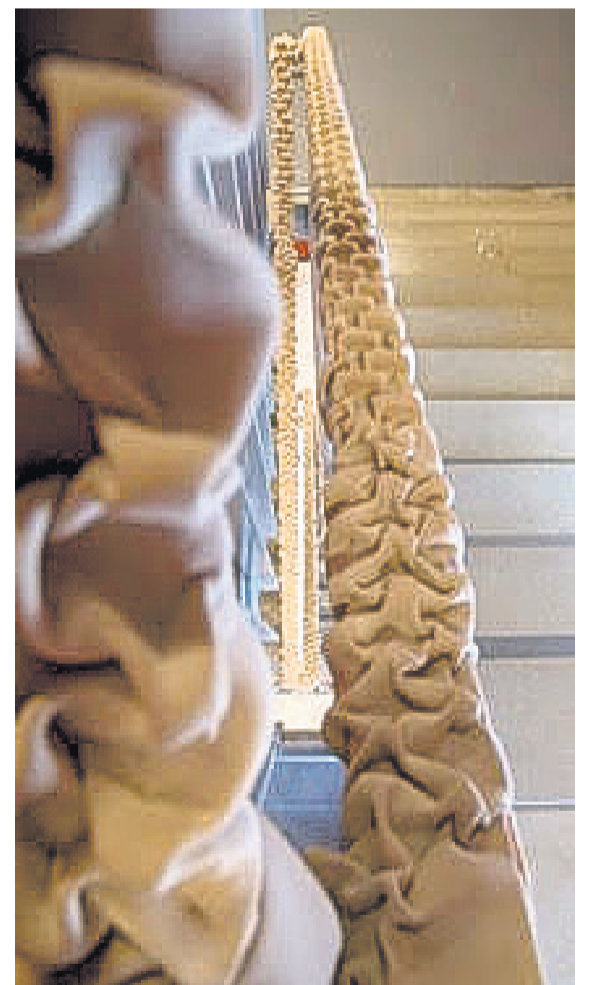
Workshop plan:

week 1: Introduction; collecting stories/ fairy tales and myth.

week 2: Visualisation of the stories. Trying out different techniques.

week 3: Creating the carpets. Composition, colors, storytelling through the carpet.

week 4: Finalizing of the carpets, installation of results.



Bio

Lyubov Matyunina (1985, Russia) holds a BA from the Gerrit Rietveld Academy in Amsterdam where she studied at the VAV- moving image department. She previously visited courses "World politics" at Gotland University, Sweden, and at International State University Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia, in Moscow. She holds a MA Journalistic from the Russian State University. Since 2012 the artist has been a guest artist at One Minutes Junior in Baku (Azerbaijan), Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan) and Tashkent (Uzbekistan) and several other countries. Her solo show Carpetologia was presented at W139, Polar room in Amsterdam (2017). Her film **"Who can be happy and free?"** was very successful and won the TENT Academy Public Choice Award in Rotterdam (2014) and was part of the International Film Festival Rotterdam (2015). She participated at group exhibitions and festivals in Moscow, Warsaw (2014) and Stuttgart (2017), and she exhibited at Prospects & Concepts, the exhibition of the Mondriaan Fund for young talents at ART Rotterdam (2018).

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Asi Es Mi Peru restaurant launches Chef Table 5 Course Menu: “It feels like having dinner at home in Peru”



EAGLE BEACH - Peruvian-born Roxanna Salinas is the proud owner of a restaurant that without doubt serves the purest Peruvian specialties in Aruba: Asi Es Mi Peru at Paradise Beach Villas. She herself welcomes you in 'her home' as that is how the restaurant is described by Peruvian foodies: Food like home, for sure the best compliment a restaurant can get. “Everything here is 100 % Peruvian, we are authentic and ethnic.” Peru by the way is considered to be the single most important cuisine in Latin America with a repertoire of dishes that might even beat France. Many big-name chefs travel to the country to get inspired.

How It All Started

“Many years ago during a Christmas gathering with family my mom told me why I did not open a Peruvian restaurant in Aruba. She said: who does not love Peruvian food?” That was the trigger for the start because Roxanne loves cooking, it is in her genes. Her mom and grandmother were great cooks. “My base principle was to do everything original and authentic. When guests come to this restaurant I want to serve them the food as if you were dining the best dishes in a house in Peru. The taste is equal, nothing is fused or changed. Many Peruvians that come here say: I feel like I am having dinner



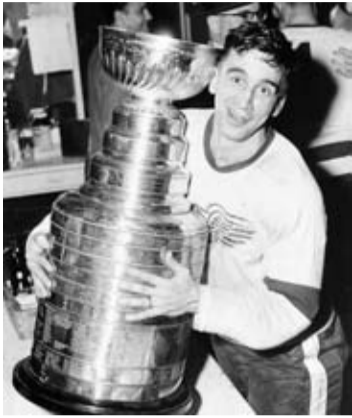
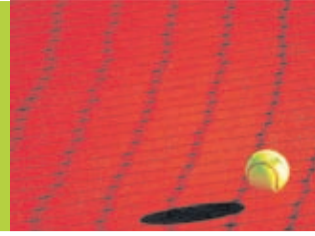
at home. It is very difficult to please Peruvians as naturally they know best what is authentic.” To find her Chef and Sous Chef she went to Peru where she interviewed 190 applicants. “We had more than 400 people that applied, after a screening that my brother and I did, we were left with 190 and out of them 10 cooked for me. I gave them a basket with ingredients and a certain plate they had to cook. Based on that I chose the Chef and Sous Chef.”

Chef Table 5 Course Menu

Peruvian food is remarkable for the diversity of its ingredients. It might be best known for its ceviche, the marinated seafood dish, but bestsellers are also Lomo Saltado (stir fry strips sirloin), seafood rice and Pescado a lo Macho (fish of the day). Roxanne explains that recently the Chef launched a 5-course Chef Table Menu. “Now that we have standardized our typical Peruvian cuisine, we are ready to take it to the next level. Our Chef is very knowledgeable and we bring higher cuisine to the table.” Of the 5 courses the first is the Tiradito Tres Regiones, and the 2nd the Majao de Yuca con Pargo Escabechado paired with a wonderful Santiago Ruiz Albarino; The 3rd plate is a Cremosa de Quinoa con Aji Relleno paired with a Hahn Pinot Noir, the 4th the Lomo con Salsa de Hongos Andinos paired with a Merlot Santa Margarita, and the 5th a Crocante de Maracuya. Try this wonderful culinary experience!

Roxanne explains that the Peruvian food is influenced by different cultures. “A lot of people came from China to work in the sugar plantations, Japanese came to work in the rice fields and African immigrants brought their influences as well... that's why you see a fusion in the dishes. The typical food and plates from Peru mixed with these influences make up for an excellent cuisine. Our sushi for example is totally different than the standard sushi and we have so many pastas that are outside of Italian pastas. The variety of corn, more than 500 variety of potatoes... I can go on and on.” I guess you will need to try it for yourself as Roxanne's place is unique. Asi Es Mi Peru is open every day from 12 noon - 10:30 pm. They are closed on Monday evening. Have a peak on their website <https://www.asiesmiperuenaruba.com/> or Facebook [así es mi peru](https://www.facebook.com/asiesmiperu). □

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In this April 16, 1954, file photo, Detroit Red Wings captain Ted Lindsay hugs the Stanley Cup after his team defeated the Montreal Canadiens, 4-3, in a sudden death extra period to win the Stanley Cup finals, in Detroit.

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Red Wings great, NHL union pioneer Ted Lindsay dies at 93

By LARRY LAGE and NOAH TRISTER

AP Sports Writers

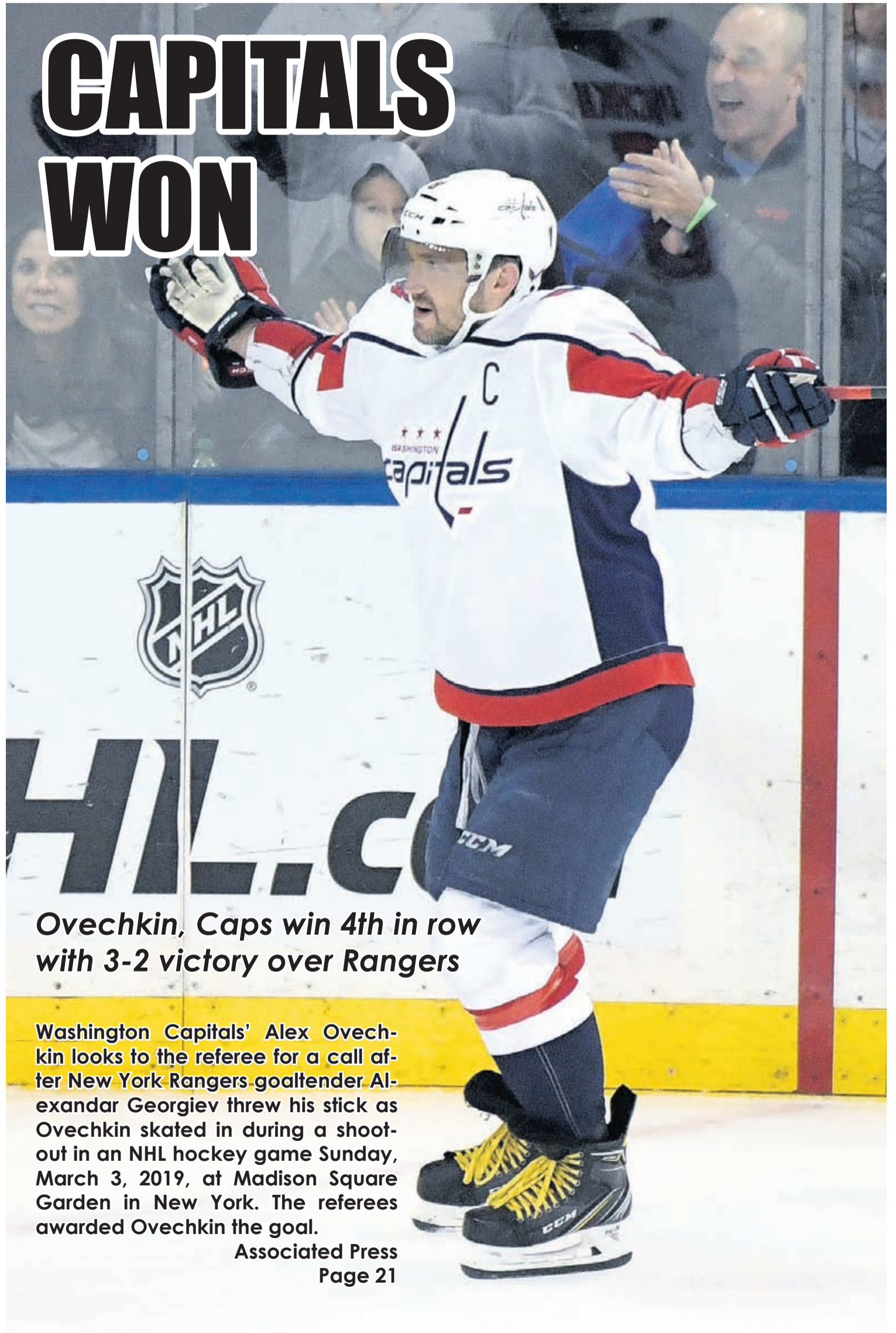
DETROIT (AP) — Ted Lindsay lived to do what he thought was right.

He pioneered the first NHL players' union despite intense opposition from team management, began the tradition of taking the Stanley Cup closer to fans by skating it around the ice and refused to attend his own Hall of Fame induction ceremony because only men were allowed.

"I was led by a feeling of fairness," Lindsay once said. Lindsay, the 5-foot-8, 160-pound tough guy who provided muscle and meanness on the Detroit Red Wings' famed "Production Line" of the 1950s, died Monday at the age of 93 in his home in Michigan, according to Lew LaPaugh, his son-in-law and president of the Ted Lindsay Foundation, which raises money for autism research.

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CAPITALS WON



Ovechkin, Caps win 4th in row with 3-2 victory over Rangers

Washington Capitals' Alex Ovechkin looks to the referee for a call after New York Rangers goaltender Alexandar Georgiev threw his stick as Ovechkin skated in during a shootout in an NHL hockey game Sunday, March 3, 2019, at Madison Square Garden in New York. The referees awarded Ovechkin the goal.

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Keith Mitchell gets his first PGA Tour win, taking Honda

By **TIM REYNOLDS**
AP Sports Writer

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Keith Mitchell's

first and until now only win as a professional was three years ago, on something called the G Pro Tour.

As is the case with minitour life, hardly anybody was watching and hardly anybody noticed. He earned \$5,600.

Those days are long gone. After 97 tries on the PGA Tour, the Web.com Tour and even the Latinoamerica Tour, Mitchell is finally a winner — and had to outslug two of the game's best players for that long-awaited victory. A birdie on the par-5 18th on Sunday capped Mitchell's win at The Honda Classic, where he held off Brooks Koepka and Rickie Fowler.

"It was awesome," Mitchell said. "I wish that I could come up with a better word than that, but just having a chance to come down the stretch against Rickie Fowler and Brooks, those guys are the best in the world and they've been out here proving themselves. And I'm just pleased that I could prove myself against guys like that."

Mitchell birdied four of his final seven holes, including a 15-footer on the last for a 3-under 67 and a 9-under 271 total. Koepka (66) and Fowler (67) made big charges as well on a wild and windy day at PGA National, yet settled for a tie for second at 8 under, one shot behind Mitchell.

Fowler gave Mitchell a warm embrace when they crossed paths after the final putt.

"Awesome guy," Fowler said. "Obviously, a good enough player to win."

Koepka and Fowler both birdied the 18th. Fowler actually birdied three of his final four holes, including a 45-footer on the 17th.

But Mitchell didn't waver in the wind.

He was on the upslope of a fairway bunker about 205 yards from the pin for his second shot at the par-5 18th. All he could do from there was hit a pop-up, leaving him with a wedge in for his third.

That checked up about 15 feet below the hole, giving him a putt to win. He made it, pumped his fist and waited for the final group of Wyndham Clark and Vijay Singh to finish about five



Keith Mitchell holds up his trophy after winning the Honda Classic golf tournament Sunday, March 3, 2019, in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

minutes later.

"Everybody dreams about having that putt on the 18th hole to win a tournament," Mitchell said. "And I had it today."

Ryan Palmer (63) and Lucas Glover (66) tied for fourth at 7 under. And for a while, it looked like Palmer might steal the tournament.

Palmer was tied for 48th after the opening round, tied for 51st after 36 holes and tied for 39th when the final round began. But he started with four straight birdies on the way to going out in 29 — the first player to ever do that in a final round at the Honda. He rolled in a 25-footer from just off the green for birdie at the par-4 16th, then stuck his tee shot to 6 feet and made birdie at the par-3 17th.

When he finished at 2:32 p.m., he was two shots back and the final group was on the fifth hole.

"I've got an outside chance, for sure," Palmer said when he was done.

About two hours later, he was in the outright lead. Not long after that, he was in a six-way tie atop the leaderboard. And his chance lasted until 5:07 p.m., when Koepka tapped in for birdie on the last and took the clubhouse lead at 8 under. Koepka was good. Fowler was good.

Mitchell was just one swing better.

"It was good for the fans," said Koepka, the Palm Beach County native and two-time defending U.S. Open champion. "They got what they wanted, a good

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tournament, two of the bigger names coming down the stretch and having a chance to win. That's what this golf course will do."

Singh, the 56-year-old who was bidding to become the oldest winner of a PGA Tour event ever — Sam Snead was 52 when he won the 1965 Greater Greensboro Open — was right there until the end. Singh, who hasn't won on this tour since 2008, settled for outright sixth after a 70. Clark, the third-round leader, was two shots clear of everybody when he made an uphill putt from just right of the green on the par-4 4th, that birdie making him 9 under. But he made bogeys on four of his next eight holes, falling off the pace. □

Park wins 6th LPGA title with final-round 64 in Singapore

SINGAPORE (AP) — Sung Hyun Park made sure there were no anxious moments as she closed in on her sixth LPGA Tour victory on Sunday at the HSBC Women's World Championship.

Four strokes behind No. 1 Ariya Jutanugarn at the start of the final round, the world No. 2 birdied five of her first seven holes and added four more birdies on the back nine for an 8-under 64 and a two-stroke victory.

Over the first three rounds, Park was 3-over on the back nine. Park had a four-round total of 15-under 273 at Sentosa Golf Club's Tanjong course.

Park has traditionally had a slow start to the new season. "So last year, my shots and like overall thing was pretty unstable in the beginning of the season, and I think my training in the last winter really helped me a lot, and it also helped me to be stronger with my play," she said.

"I didn't think I would win this fast ... I think I will play really comfortable the rest of my season." □



In this Oct. 14, 2018, file photo, Sung Hyun Park of South Korea watches her shot on the second hole during the final round of the LPGA KEB Hana Bank Championship at Sky72 Golf Club in Incheon, South Korea.

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Joey Logano holds off Brad Keselowski for Vegas NASCAR win

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Joey Logano and Brad Keselowski were side by side off the fourth turn, two teammates fighting for the last burst of speed on the final lap at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Logano barely managed to block Keselowski's move, and the defending NASCAR Cup Series champion hung on for his first win in his title defense season.

"That was more intense than I wanted it to be," Logano said.

Logano held off Keselowski on Sunday for his first Cup victory in Vegas, driving his Team Penske Ford to his 22nd career win.

"There's been plenty of times here when we've led a lot of laps here, but we've never won, and that's the most important stat to have," Logano said.

"Something happens at the end, and Brad becomes the fastest car and he wins. I looked in the mirror, and I was like, 'Oh my gosh, this is happening again.'"

But after narrowly answering Keselowski's last-lap passing attempt, Logano celebrated his victory in NASCAR's first race under its full new rules package designed to foster tight racing and excitement.

Excitement is exactly what NASCAR got on the final lap, although the quality of the 266 laps before that sharply divided drivers and observers — no surprise in a sport that rarely agrees on much of anything.

The Vegas race featured no cautions, which meant the thrilling restarts expected under the new rules were limited to a couple of wild laps after the two segment breaks.

"There towards the end, the way this drafting package, these rules work, it was intense," Logano said. "You can't get away. You're constantly looking around. Mentally, I'm exhausted right now. ... It proves you don't need crashes to have an exciting race. There's so much strategy that goes into driving these race cars now. I



Joey Logano celebrates after winning a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Sunday, March 3, 2019, in Las Vegas.

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thought it was as entertaining as can be. I don't really know what to say if you don't like that."

Keselowski drove up from 19th to take the lead with 27 laps left, but his hopes for back-to-back victories were dashed when Logano passed him while getting held up by lapped traffic.

"I'd like to have one more lap," said Keselowski, who won the playoff race in Vegas last September. "It was a good battle, and we were both fighting really hard at the top. It seemed like it came down to what the lapped cars were going to do."

Kyle Busch finished third, unable to recover from a mid-race speeding penalty in the hometown driver's quest for the third three-race weekend sweep in NASCAR history. As you might expect, Busch wasn't a fan of the new rules' effects on his racing.

"The cars don't have any speed," Busch said. "You're wide open just trying to catch a draft. You couldn't maneuver. You're always trying to figure out which way to go."

Pole-sitter Kevin Harvick was fourth, and Kurt Busch finished fifth for the Las Vegas native's first top-five finish at his home track since 2005. Fords took five of the top seven spots. □

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Harden scores 42 points to help Rockets beat Celtics



Houston Rockets' James Harden (13) prepares to shoot from three-point territory as Boston Celtics' Jayson Tatum (0) defends during the second half of an NBA basketball game in Boston, Sunday, March 3, 2019.

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By The Associated Press
BOSTON (AP) — James Harden had 42 points before fouling out late in the fourth quarter and the Houston Rockets held on

the beat the Boston Celtics 115-104 on Sunday for their fifth straight victory. Harden made six 3-pointers and scored 40 or more points for the 24th time this

season. Houston entered the day in fifth place in the Western Conference standings, a game behind of fourth-place Oklahoma City. Boston has lost five of last six. Kyrie Irving led the Celtics with 24 points, nine rebounds and six assists. Al Horford finished with 19 points.

PISTONS 112, RAPTORS 107, OT

DETROIT (AP) — Blake Griffin scored 14 of his 27 points in the first quarter and Detroit outlasted Toronto.

Detroit took advantage of Toronto resting star forward Kawhi Leonard less than 48 hours after he made the go-ahead shot in the closing seconds in a victory over Portland.

Reggie Jackson scored 19 points for Deyroitm and An-

dre and Drummond had 15 points and 17 rebounds. Kyle Lowry scored a season-high 35 points for Toronto. Pascal Siakam added 21.

THUNDER 99, GRIZZLIES 95 OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Russell Westbrook scored 12 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter and Oklahoma City Thunder overcame a 13-point deficit in the final seven minutes to beat Memphis.

Dennis Schroder added 17 points and a career-high 11 rebounds, and Steven Adams had 13 points and 22 rebounds to help the Thunder snap a four-game losing streak. Paul George, the NBA's No. 2 scorer, missed his third straight game because of asore right shoulder. Oklahoma City stepped up late without

its defensive leader, holding the Grizzlies to 6-for-21 shooting in the fourth quarter. Avery Bradley scored 27 points for Memphis.

HAWKS 123, BULLS 118 CHICAGO (AP) — Alex Len scored a season-high 28 points and Atlanta beat Chicago, two days after the Bulls outlasted the Hawks 168-161 in quadruple overtime in Atlanta. Len finished three points shy of his career high. He also made a personal-best five 3-pointers.

Trae Young scored 18 before getting ejected early in the third quarter for taunting Chicago's Kris Dunn for his second technical foul. Lauri Markkanen led Chicago with 19 points.

CLIPPERS 128, KNICKS 107 LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rook-

ie Landry Shamet scored all of his 21 points on 3-pointers, Danilo Gallinari added 20 and Los Angeles sent New York to its 50th loss of the season. Shamet and Gallinari combined for 27 of the Clippers' 38 points in the first quarter when they raced to a 38-20 lead. Shamet scored 18 points in the opening 12 minutes. He tied the franchise record for threes in a quarter (six) and a half (seven), and set a franchise rookie record for 3s in a single game.

Damyean Dotson and Noah Vonleh each had 17 points for New York.

TRAIL BLAZERS 118, HORNETS 108

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Rodney Hood scored 27 points, Jusuf Nurkic added 26 points and 15 rebounds and Portland beat Charlotte.

Damian Lillard had 23 points to help the Trail Blazers win for the sixth time in seven games. Jeremy Lamb had 23 points, and Kemba Walker added 18 points and a season-high 12 assists for the Hornets.

CAVALIERS 107, MAGIC 93 CLEVELAND (AP) — Jordan Clarkson scored 18 points, Kevin Love had 16 points and 14 rebounds and Cleveland pulled away in the fourth quarter to beat Orlando.

Nikola Vucevic scored 28 points for Orlando. □

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Ovechkin's shootout 'goal' sends Capitals past Rangers 3-2

By The Associated Press
NEW YORK (AP) — Alex Ovechkin scored in the fourth round of a shootout without putting the puck in the net, and the Washington Capitals extended their win streak to four games with a 3-2 victory over the New York Rangers on Sunday.

Ovechkin was skating to his right when Rangers goalie Alexandar Georgiev threw his stick at the puck, knocking it away from the star winger. Ovechkin was credited with the goal after a review.

Carl Hagelin and Andre Burakovsky scored in the first period for Washington, which is in a tight race with the Islanders for first place in the Metropolitan Division. Braden Holtby made 22 saves.

Pavel Buchnevich and Ryan Strome scored for New York. The Rangers lost their fourth in a row, including all three on their home-stand.

Georgiev made 37 saves, including 20 in the second period. He stopped Ovechkin on a breakaway in overtime.

FLYERS 4, ISLANDERS 1 UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — Brian Elliott stopped 29 shots and Philadelphia knocked

New York out of first place in the Metropolitan Division. Travis Konecny, Travis Sanheim, Scott Laughton and Sean Couturier scored for Philadelphia. The Flyers are 4-0-1 in their last five games and moved within five points of the final wild card in the Eastern Conference. Elliott lost his shutout bid when Adam Pelech scored with 4:45 left. He got his ninth win of the season and third in his last four starts.

Robin Lehner made 10 saves in 23:18 of work before getting yanked. Thomas Greiss made 12 saves in relief.

SHARKS 5, BLACKHAWKS 2 SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Joe Thornton set up Marcus Sorensen for a tiebreaking goal early in the third period and Melker Karlsson tacked on two insurance goals that sent San Jose past Chicago.

Tomas Hertl and Timo Meier also scored to help the Sharks end an eight-game stretch of alternating wins and losses. San Jose moved within three points of Calgary for first place in the Pacific Division. The Flames have a game in hand.

Martin Jones made 28 saves for the Sharks. Chicago's Patrick Kane failed to record a point in



Washington Capitals left wing Alex Ovechkin (8) skates in against New York Rangers goaltender Alexandar Georgiev (40) during a shootout in an NHL hockey game Sunday, March 3, 2019, at Madison Square Garden in New York. The referees ruled that Georgiev threw his stick and awarded Ovechkin the goal.

back-to-back games for just the second time this season, also doing it Nov. 21-23.

Dylan Strome and Erik Gustafsson scored for the Blackhawks, who trail Western Conference wild-card leaders Dallas and Minnesota by eight points. Cam Ward made 29 saves.

GOLDEN KNIGHTS 3, CANUCKS 0

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 19 shots and earned his second straight 3-0 shutout.

Fleury moved within one victory of tying Jacques Plante for eighth on the NHL's all-time wins list.

Max Pacioretty, Ryan Carpenter and Reilly Smith scored for the Golden Knights, who won their fourth straight.

Vancouver Jacob Markstrom stopped 45 shots.

DUCKS 2, AVALANCHE 1 ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Jakob Silfverberg had a goal and an assist and Anaheim snapped a five-game losing streak.

Silfverberg, who signed a \$26.5 million, five-year extension Saturday, leads the team in goals with 17 and became the ninth player to score 100 goals with Anaheim.

Cam Fowler also scored and John Gibson made 25 saves for his first victory since Jan. 19.

Derick Brassard scored for Colorado and Philipp Grubauer stopped 21 shots. The Avalanche have dropped three of four after winning four straight.

SENATORS 3, PANTHERS 2 SUNRISE, Fla. (AP) — Rudolfs Balcers scored the tiebreaking goal in the second period and Ottawa

snapped a seven-game losing streak. Brian Gibbons and Zack Smith also scored for the Senators. Anders Nilsson stopped 30 shots.

Troy Brouwer and Aleksander Barkov scored for the Panthers, and Roberto Luongo made 30 saves. Florida has lost four straight.

JETS 5, BLUE JACKETS 2 COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Blake Wheeler scored three of his four goals in the third period and Connor Hellebuyck had 40 saves as Winnipeg won its second straight.

Wheeler's goal with 2:13 left off Patrik Laine's feed sealed the game, and he added an empty-netter with 34 seconds left. Sami Niku also tallied for the Jets, who stayed in first place in the Central Division despite being outshot by Columbus 42-26. □

Alaska musher leads in the early stage of the Iditarod

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A French man who saw the Iditarod slip from his grasp when he got lost in a blizzard last year is again leading the world's most famous sled dog race.

Nicolas Petit was the first Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race musher to arrive Monday in Rainy Pass, a community of two people and a lodge that's open year-round.

The checkpoint is 153 miles (246 kilometers) into the nearly 1,000 mile (1,600 kilometer) race across the

Alaska wilderness. Petit stayed at the checkpoint for eight minutes before heading back out on the trail.

Pete Kaiser, a 31-year-old musher from Bethel, Alaska, was close behind Petit, leaving Rainy Pass 11 minutes after Petit got back on the trail.

Petit is a native of France's Normandy region and now lives in Girdwood, just south of Anchorage. He was leading last year late into the race when he lost his

way in a blizzard. He was passed by Norway's Joar Ulsom, who beat Petit to the finish line in Nome by over two hours.

After Rainy Pass, mushers head to the next checkpoint in the uninhabited community of Rohn. There used to be a roadhouse, but it's long gone so the checkpoint is in a cabin built in the 1930s.

Mushers must take a 24-hour layover during the race, and many take it in Rohn before heading out



Iditarod musher Mishi Konno runs his team along the trail during the ceremonial start of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, Saturday, March 2, 2019 in Anchorage, Alaska.

onto the dangerous stretch called Farewell Burn, an area littered with tree

stumps and rocks that was the site of a large Alaska forest fire in the 1970s. □

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Fast food at White House for North Dakota football champs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The smell of burgers and fries wafted through the State Dining Room as President Donald Trump celebrated the championship football players from North Dakota State on Monday with fast food, like he did when he honored the national champion Clemson Tigers. Trump told the football team he could have had White House chefs prepare a meal, but “I know you people very well.”

The players laughed with the president while eyeing stacks of Big Macs and Chick-fil-A sandwiches on a long table in the center of the room. A side table was piled with bags of french fries, kept warm under a light.

Trump served a similar



President Donald Trump welcomes 2018 NCAA FCS College Football Champions, The North Dakota State Bison, to the White House in Washington, Monday, March 4, 2019.

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spread that included hundreds of hamburgers to Clemson's players in Janu-

ary. He said he personally paid for that meal because much of the staff in the White House residence had been furloughed by a government shutdown.

The Bison, who have the most titles in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision, ended the season on Jan. 5 with a 38-24 win over Eastern Washington University. Quarterback Easton Stick threw five touchdown passes, including two to Darrius Shepherd, who was named Most Outstanding Player with five catches and 125 yards.

It was the Bison's seventh national title in eight years. “When you play with passion and love ... and relentlessly reach for excellence, nothing is impossible,” Trump said. □

Ted Lindsay

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The player known as “Terrible Ted” was one of the game's best left wings and an 11-time All-Star who played on four Stanley Cup winners in the early 1950s. Lindsay, Sid Abel and Gordie Howe formed an offensive juggernaut of a line that helped make Detroit one of the first of the NHL's great postwar dynasties and they had a fitting nickname in the Motor City. He finished his NHL career with 379 goals and 472 assists in 1,068 games with 14 of his 17 seasons with Detroit. With Howe and Lindsay centered first by Abel and then by Al Delvecchio, the Red Wings won Stanley Cups in 1950, 1952, 1954 and 1955. The Red Wings retired his No. 7 in 1991.

Lindsay is credited with beginning the ritual in which players skate around the rink holding the Stanley Cup they have just won.

“I saw it sitting there, and I thought, ‘I’ll just pick it up and I’ll take it over,’” Lindsay recalled in an interview with The Associated Press in 2013. “I just moved along the boards. I didn’t have it over my head. I had it so they could read it. I wasn’t starting a tradition. I was



just taking care of my fans that paid our salary.” Lindsay took his toughness off the ice to organize a players’ union despite opposition from team executives and without the support of Howe, perhaps the most famous hockey player of all. Lindsay pressed on anyway without the backing of “Mr. Hockey.” “All of us who were involved in trying to establish the players’ association weren’t the ones who needed it,” Lindsay explained. “It was for the fringe players that were the worst off. When I got caught up in this, I was so grateful to the game for all it had done for me. But it was a dictatorship on the part of the owners, who didn’t realize any of us had a brain.”

At one point, Lindsay gathered secretly with a hand-

ful of players in New York in 1957. The next day, Red Wings general manager Jack Adams was very angry about it.

“He was ranting and raving,” Lindsay recalled in an interview with the NHLPA. “But, I’d do the same thing.”

Lindsay, who was named president of the short-lived union, was traded to Chicago the next summer.

“It didn’t matter that they traded me,” he said in 1995. “I have a Red Wing on my forehead and on my behind and on my heart. That will never change.”

The NHL Players’ Association was formed for good in 1967 — a decade after the Lindsay-led attempt to unionize — and the organization put Lindsay’s name on its version of the MVP award. The honor, which is chosen by an NHLPA vote,

was previously called the Lester B. Pearson Award after the former Canadian prime minister.

“On the ice, Ted Lindsay was one of the best players to ever to put on a pair of skates,” NHLPA executive director Don Fehr said. “But his greatest legacy was off the ice. A true trailblazer in seeking to improve conditions for all players, Ted was instrumental in organizing the original players’ association in 1957. All players, past, current and future, are in his debt. All those who have, and will follow him into the NHL, enjoy improved rights and benefits in large part due to the efforts he made.”

“That’s amazing,” Edmonton star Connor McDavid said as news of Lindsay’s death filtered out. “That just goes to show what he’s about and he was not afraid to stand up to anyone and stand up for what he believed in.”

Born July 29, 1925, in Renfrew, Ontario, as the youngest of nine children, Lindsay joined the Red Wings in 1944. He led the NHL with 33 goals in 1947-48 and won the Art Ross Trophy for the most points in 1949-50 when he had 23 goals and a league-best 55 assists. In 1955, Lindsay scored four goals in a 7-1 victory over

Montreal in Game 2 of the Stanley Cup Final.

During his 14 seasons in Detroit, he led the team in goals only once. He led or tied for the team lead in penalty minutes 10 times, including his final season of 1964-65, when he was approaching 40 years old.

Former Bruins player Milt Schmidt said Lindsay “probably was one of the most hated players in the National Hockey League” because of the way he came after other teams.

“But every franchise would have given their right arm for Ted Lindsay,” he said.

Lindsay retired following the 1959-60 season and focused on his automotive business. He came back for one more season with the Red Wings in 1964-65 and returned to Detroit as general manager in 1977 and remained in that role until 1980. During the 1980-81 season, he coached the team for 20 games.

He was a familiar face around the Red Wings for decades after his retirement — and what a face. Pucks, fists and elbows took a toll on his face, leaving scratches and dents after uncountable numbers of stiches. He was booed on road trips, the player every opposing team loved to hate. □



In this file photo dated Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2016, Georg Preidler of Austria competes in the men's road cycling individual time trial at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
Associated Press

Another Austrian cyclist admits blood doping as case widens

VIENNA (AP) — Austrian cyclist Georg Preidler has admitted to blood doping linked to a case in which five skiers were arrested, his professional team Groupama-FDJ said Monday. Preidler offered "his immediate and spontaneous resignation, justified by his inexcusable involvement" in the doping case, Groupama-FDJ said. He had allegedly undergone "blood collection" procedures twice last year. "The UCI does not have any first-hand information concerning confessions made by cyclists," the Switzerland-based governing body said in a statement. However, the cycling body said it asked its independent investigators to exchange information with Austrian authorities and the World Anti-Doping Agency to advance each other's cases.

Authorities in Austria previously said Sunday that another rider had admitted to doping and was suspected of sports fraud in connection with the case. That rider wasn't named under Austrian privacy laws. Preidler has raced in eight Grand Tours, including twice at the Tour de France, and took part in the Giro d'Italia and Spanish Vuelta last season. He was 16th for Austria in the time trial at the 2016 Olympics. Austrian and German police arrested nine people last week, including five cross-country skiers at the world championships and a German doctor. Austrian authorities said they had disrupted an "international doping ring" with involvement in multiple sports. One skier was arrested part-way through a blood transfusion. □



Mississippi State defensive lineman Montez Sweat runs the 40-yard dash during the NFL football scouting combine, Sunday, March 3, 2019, in Indianapolis.
Associated Press

Montez Sweat set big-man record for 40-yard dash

By ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Pro Football Writer
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The defensive linemen hailed as the gems of the draft class didn't disappoint during their on-field testing Sunday, and nobody performed better than Montez Sweat. The 6-foot-6, 260-pounder from Mississippi State clocked a 4.41-second 40-yard dash at Lucas Oil Stadium, the fastest time by a defensive lineman since at least 2003. That topped the mark of 4.43 seconds set by Emanuel Lawson in 2006. He was faster than all but two of 23 running backs

who ran the 40 at the NFL scouting combine this week, and he was 0.12 seconds faster than Jadeveon Clowney's time at the 2014 combine. Sweat had 11 1/2 sacks and 14 tackles for loss last season after posting 10 1/2 sacks and 15 1/2 tackles for loss in 2017. He said Saturday that he models his game after "old-time pass rushers like Jason Taylor," and when asked what would set him apart among this year's deep D-line class, Sweat said, "I think I would separate myself with my effort and my play. Just getting after the QB is what I do best."

Also Sunday, Alabama D-lineman Quinnen Williams ran a 4.83 40-yard dash. That's the fourth-fastest combine time by a 300-plus pound D-lineman since 2003. His Tigers teammate, defensive tackle Dexter Lawrence, sustained a minor thigh injury while running his 40 and didn't participate in the other drills. He is expected to work out at the Tigers' pro day later this month. Lawrence is a 6-foot-4, 342-pound tackle who is a dominant run defender and scouts expect him to develop into a good pocket pusher in the passing game. □

Swiss skier Yule pledges prize money to fight climate change

By GRAHAM DUNBAR
AP Sports Writer
GENEVA (AP) — Hitting back at the president of his sport's governing body, Swiss skier Daniel Yule will give his prize money this month to an athlete-backed charity campaigning against climate change. The Olympic gold medalist said Monday he is "putting my money where my mouth is" after criticizing



In this file photo dated Saturday, Dec. 22, 2018, Switzerland's Daniel Yule in finish area during the second round of a ski World Cup Men's Slalom, in Madonna Di Campiglio, Italy.
Associated Press

International Ski Federation president Gian Franco Kasper at the world championships last month. Kasper's comments about "so-called climate change" in a Swiss newspaper interview prompted Colorado-based non-profit Protect Our Winters to urge him to resign. Yule, a slalom specialist, made his pledge in an Instagram post ahead of World Cup races on the

next two Sundays. Both slalom races offer 45,000 Swiss francs (\$45,000) for winning, with prize money paid for the top 30 placings down to 500 Swiss francs (\$500) for 30th. Yule has earned almost 90,000 Swiss francs (\$90,000) in prize money this season, including his first World Cup win in December in Madonna di Campiglio, Italy. □

AT&T shakes up WarnerMedia to emphasize streaming

By TALI ARBEL

AP Technology Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Now that AT&T's \$81 billion takeover of Time Warner is a done deal, the company is reorganizing its TV and movie businesses to emphasize streaming rather than cable TV networks. AT&T is bringing in a new executive as longtime HBO and Turner chiefs leave. It's also consolidating operations for different brands to help generate more video for a new streaming service launching this year. Layoffs are expected in the business now known as WarnerMedia, although the company tried to assuage fears that there will be substantial job cuts. With the revamp, AT&T is "trying to move the organization to a new business model," said Michael Smith, a Carnegie Mellon information technology and marketing professor. AT&T on Monday named former NBC Entertainment chairman Robert Greenblatt as the chairman of WarnerMedia's entertainment and streaming businesses. He will run HBO and



In this Oct. 16, 2017 file photo, Robert Greenblatt poses in the press room at the Broadcasting & Cable Hall of Fame Awards 27th Anniversary Gala in New York.

Associated Press

Turner cable networks TNT, TBS and truTV. HBO and Turner were previously run separately. HBO's longtime chief, Richard Plepler, resigned last week, as did Turner's president, David Levy.

AT&T said the reorganization will give it "agility and flexibility" to better coordinate original programming across its brands and distribute them through emerging platforms such as streaming.

The company has been ramping up the streaming services that it sells to customers directly as it tries to maneuver the shift to internet video and reckon with the increasing number of people who don't want to pay for a \$100 cable bundle. It has been losing customers in its DirecTV satellite TV business.

AT&T launched a streaming service with live TV channels, DirecTV Now, in 2016. The service has already had its bumps, losing customers for the first time in the most recent quarter as AT&T ended deep discounts. AT&T also debuted a cheaper live-TV service, WatchTV, in 2018. Now, it's planning to compete with Netflix and an upcoming Disney streaming service by launching a separate service built around WarnerMedia shows and movies, including what's on HBO. HBO Now will continue to exist as a separate streaming service.

Breaking down walls between WarnerMedia's individual brand empires could result in layoffs and save the company money. But more importantly, it will help spark more ideas and thus more video overall for AT&T to distribute and sell ads against, CFRA Research analyst Keith Snyder said.

"They want a lot more content coming out of Warner," he said. "That's going to help them launch the streaming service and go up against Disney. They really need to start generating more content. ... This reorganization is aiming at that more than anything." The company tried to emphasize that the reorganization was more about content strategy and less about layoffs. "I don't think there are big massive layoffs coming," Greenblatt said in an interview with trade publication Variety. WarnerMedia spokesman Keith Coccozza said there weren't any decisions yet on layoffs.

Wells Fargo analyst Jennifer Fritzsche wrote in a note to investors last week that one immediate concern is whether the departures by longtime Time Warner leaders would affect the key

staffers that make WarnerMedia's shows and movies. AT&T argued that it needed to buy Time Warner, in one of the biggest media deals on record, to compete with tech giants such as Google and Facebook that grab the bulk of internet ad dollars in the U.S. today. AT&T wants to build a digital advertising business, with ads tailored to customers, on the back of that video. More video means more potential ad dollars and, perhaps, more subscribers.

The Turner TV business had been operating as a standalone entity under an agreement with the government until AT&T won again in court last week. Now AT&T can change Turner's staffing levels — there are often layoffs after big mergers — and be involved in its deals with cable companies.

AT&T also said Monday that CNN leader Jeff Zucker is adding sports to his duties and will become chairman of WarnerMedia News & Sports. Kevin Tsujihara will remain the head of the Warner Bros. studio but take on leadership of a new business to bring together the company's family, kids and animation efforts. □

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Electric Jaguar wins Car of the Year in Europe

By JAMEY KEATEN

Associated Press

GENEVA (AP) — The electric Jaguar I-Pace won the Car of the Year award in Europe on Monday, the first time the storied British brand has been bestowed the prize just as Brexit looms over the continent's auto industry.

The small SUV with coupe lines edged out the Alpine A110 sports car, which is not a mass production vehicle, after they tied for top honors in a first round of voting by dozens of automotive journalists. The Jaguar won a runoff.

Jaguar design director Ian Callum said the automaker, now owned by India's Tata Motors, sees electric as the future. He touted the new platform for the I-Pace



The Jaguar I-Pace model was elected "Car of the Year 2019", ahead of the 89th Geneva International Motor Show, at the Palexpo, in Geneva, Switzerland, on Monday, March 4, 2019.

Associated Press

and said the car showed how Jaguar can innovate. The award established in 1964 marks the unofficial start of the Geneva auto show. The prize, which can propel sales, is organized by seven European magazines and awarded by 60 journalists from nearly two dozen countries.

"I think jury members are quite excited about having a luxury SUV, electric vehicle with a sporty look," said jury president Frank Jansen of the German weekly Stern. "It's the first electric vehicle from a European premium manufacturer that can take up with Tesla." □

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3 reasons to choose a college based on price

By ANNA HELHOSKI
Associated Press

Many prospective students choose a college for its location, its reputation or even its campus vibe. Here are three reasons to choose a college based on price.

YOU CAN AVOID HIGH STUDENT DEBT

If you pick an affordable college, you're less likely to be burdened with high debt. Borrowing less now will leave you with more money for other things you might want to do eventually, like buy a home, take the vacation of a lifetime or start a family. It also frees up money for you to make smart financial decisions like build an emergency fund or save for retirement. The sticker price of a school will show you tuition, fees, room and board. But the net price is the best indicator of affordability - it's how much you'll pay after factoring in free financial aid.

"In California, if you were looking only at sticker price, I would say, 'Go to a community college,'" says Jessica Thompson, director of policy and planning at the Institute for College Access and Success. But because of how the state grant aid system works, the net price for attending a four-year University of California school is often less, Thompson says.

In general, public colleges and universities are cheaper than private ones. But say you get \$35,000 in grant



In this May 10, 2018, file photo, students walk past Sather Gate on the University of California at Berkeley campus in Berkeley, Calif.

aid and scholarships to attend a private school with a sticker price of \$50,000. It would be more affordable than a \$20,000-per-year public college that offers you nothing.

Before you apply, use the net price calculator available on a prospective college's site.

Then when you get your college acceptances, compare financial aid award letters to see how much free financial aid you qualify for, such as grants, scholarships and work-study, along with federal loans.

YOU'LL GIVE YOUR PARENTS A BREAK

If your parents plan to help you with college costs,

choosing a less expensive school can help them avoid tapping their savings, home equity or retirement. Along with using income and savings for college costs, parents might take on private loans or federal PLUS loans. Parent PLUS borrowers take an average \$16,100 per year, according to The Brookings Institution, a nonprofit public policy organization. PLUS loans have higher interest rates and fewer repayment plans available compared to federal direct loans, which undergraduates take.

That means it's cheaper for you to borrow than your parents, and you'll have more time to repay the

debt. It also leaves your parents' savings intact.

YOU'LL GET A BETTER RETURN ON YOUR INVESTMENT

The lower your college costs, the better the chance you'll get a satisfying return on your investment. That means earning enough after graduating to justify the expense of attending school.

It has key details including average net price, graduation rates and typical salaries after attending. It also shows you popular majors, which you can use as a starting point to learn more about possible careers.

Next, research potential careers and earnings using the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Out-

look Handbook . It includes job descriptions, schooling required and potential job growth. Sites like PayScale, Salary.com and Glassdoor also have information on salary potential.

Using that salary information, aim to keep your payments under 10 percent of projected after-tax monthly income in your first year out of school.

Say you think you'll earn \$45,000 in your first year out of college and you have only federal loans with the standard 10-year repayment term and 5.05 percent interest rate. Limiting payments to 10 percent of your income means a monthly payment of about \$250, which would allow you to borrow no more than \$23,600. A student loan affordability calculator can show more estimates.

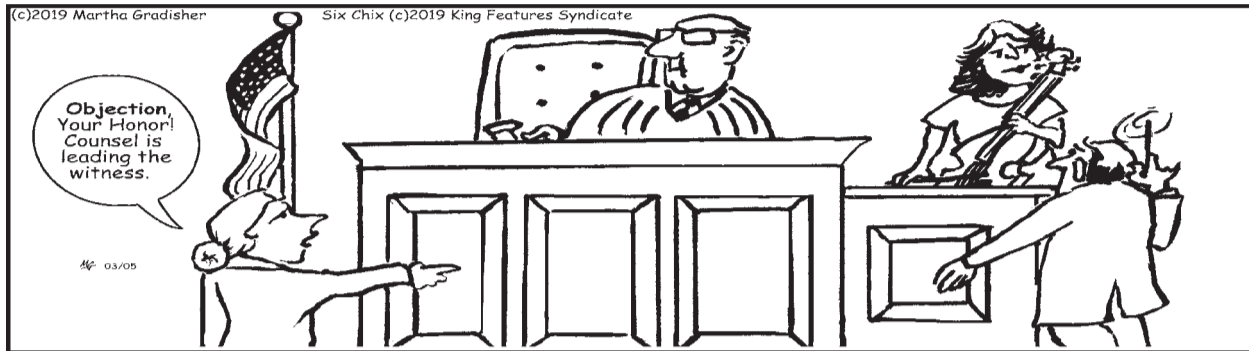
Remember to factor in total costs for at least four years of school, too. At Making Waves College and Alumni Program, a nonprofit program geared toward low-income high school graduates in the San Francisco Bay Area, Director of Financial Services Ivette Chavez says she talks to students about the impact of taking out loans year after year.

"We break it down to them: If it's \$5,000 this year, but your financial profile stays the same, it will translate to this much after four years," Chavez says. "Do you really want to start life after college in a deficit?" □

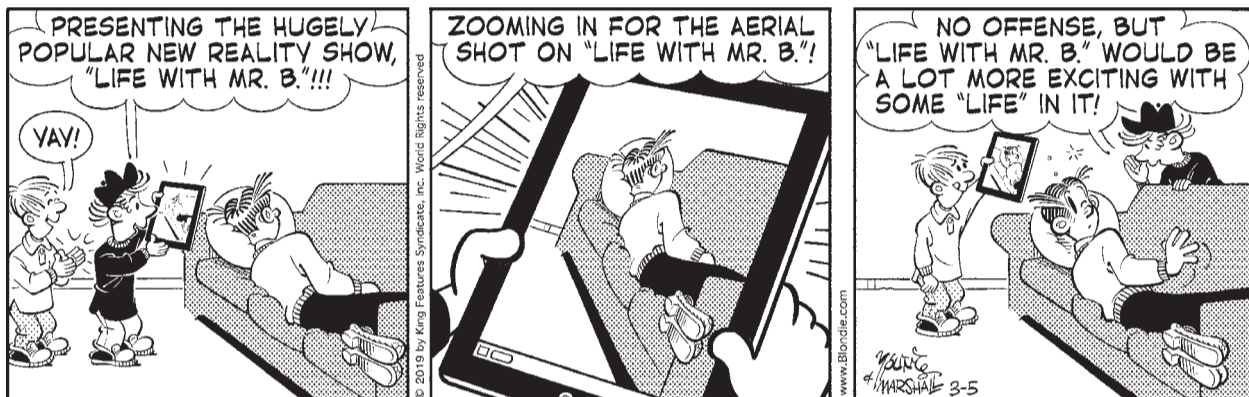
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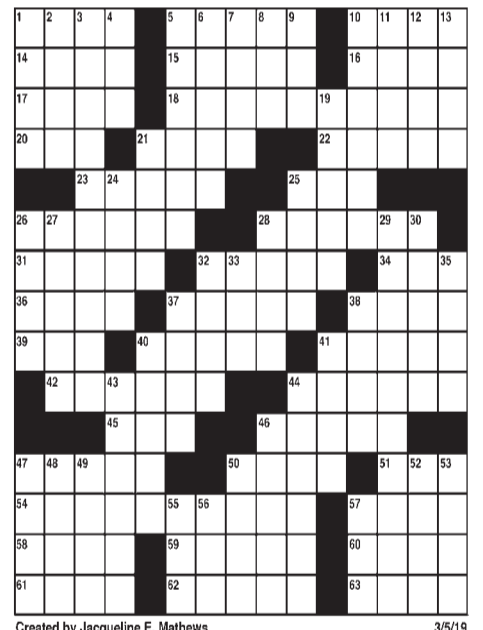
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

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- ACROSS**
- Guacamole & salsa
 - Granny Smith, for one
 - Flower stalk
 - Item on a bread tray
 - Dinah Washington's music
 - La __; sister of Michael Jackson
 - Blown __; astonished
 - College record-keepers
 - Tampa __
 - Buccaneers
 - Vats
 - Hell; underworld
 - Feel about blindly
 - __alai
 - "Sesame __"
 - Human __; people
 - Wild felines
 - Entreaties
 - Leprechaun
 - Lie next to
 - Gather bit by bit
 - Polaris or Betelgeuse
 - Metal fastener
 - __ over; dwell on gloomily
 - Musical instrument
 - Thought the world of
 - Go by, as time
 - Seat for many
 - Peruvian pack animal
 - Neighbor of Nepal
 - __ up; absorb
 - ABC competitor
 - Indirect
 - WWII turning point
 - __-highs; long socks
 - Untrue
 - __ Benedict; fancy breakfast
 - Auctioneer's cry
 - Cornered
 - Expense



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews 3/5/19

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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AGHAST	ROY	ELM
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- DOWN**
- Dull in color
 - Midwest U.S. state
 - School recess area
 - As __ as a fox
 - Sudden
 - West Point newcomer
 - Small wrinkly dogs
 - Wahine's accessory
 - Curvy letter
 - Overexert
 - Brown amphibian
 - Charlotte Brontë's "Jane __"
 - Church service
 - Bangkok folks
 - Corn sites
 - Landlord's collection
 - Harlow or Stapleton
 - Swat
 - Part of the leg
 - Rosary piece
 - Energy
 - Venetian blinds
 - Trudge
 - ToIstoy or Durocher
 - Complimentary
 - Got bigger
 - Close noisily
 - Bakery purchase
 - __ jacket; bulletproof vest
 - Gave one's views
 - In seventh heaven
 - Rotten person
 - Annoys
 - Forbidden subject
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 - Sacks
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New techniques let scientists zero in on individual cells

By **MALCOLM RITTER**

AP Science Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Did you hear what happened when Bill Gates walked into a bar? Everybody there immediately became millionaires — on average.

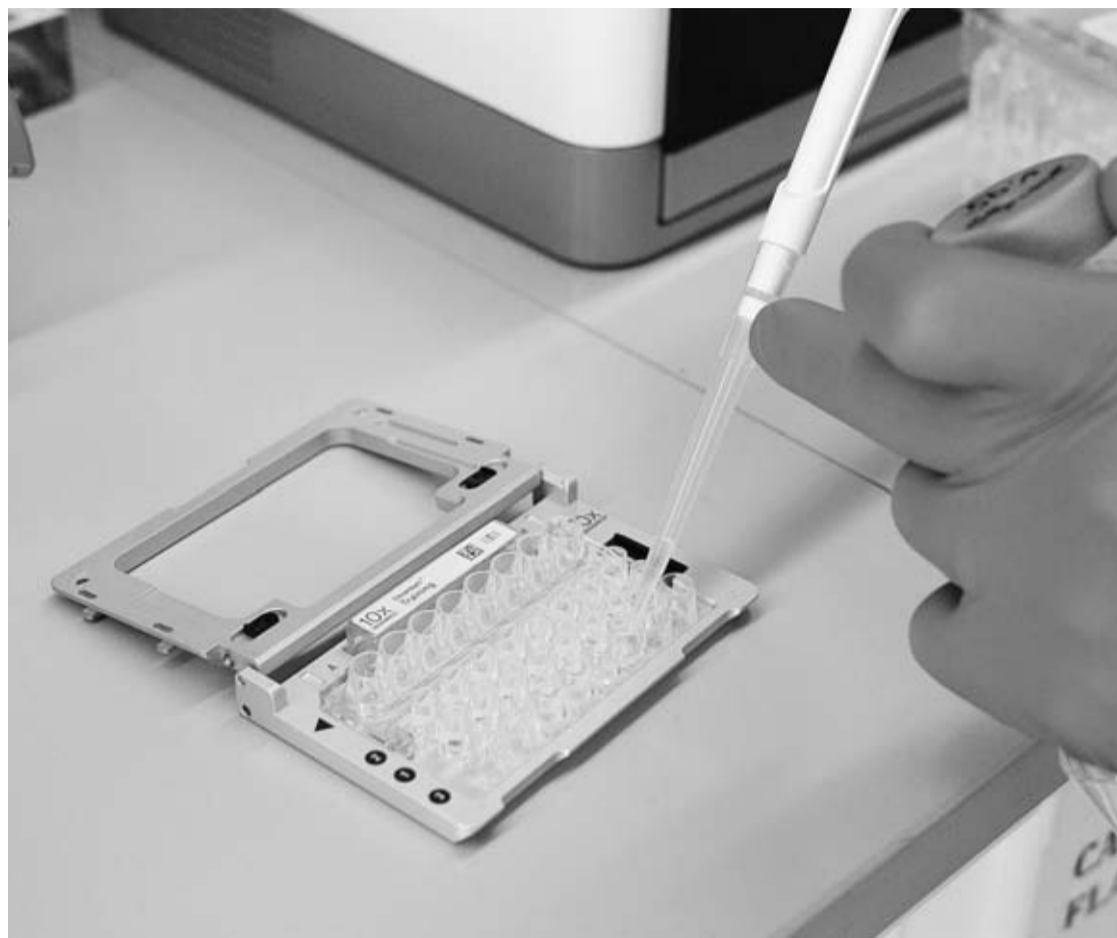
That joke about a very rich man is an old one among statisticians. So why did Peter Smibert use it to explain a revolution in biology?

Because it shows averages can be misleading. And Smibert, of the New York Genome Center, says that includes when scientists are trying to understand the basic unit of life, the cell.

Until recently, trying to study key traits of cells from people and other animals often meant analyzing bulk samples of tissue, producing a mushed-up average of results from many cell types. It was like trying to learn about a banana by studying a strawberry-blueberry-orange-banana smoothie.

In recent years, however, scientists have developed techniques that let them directly study the DNA codes, the activity of genes and other traits of individual cells. The approach has become widely adopted, revealing details about the body that couldn't be shown before. And it has opened the door to pursuing an audacious goal: listing every cell type in the human body.

"Single-cell analysis is crucial for a comprehensive understanding of our biology and health," Dr. Francis Collins, the director of the National Institutes of Health, declared recently. In fact, the journal *Science* named the techniques that allow single-cell tracking of gene activity over time in developing organisms and organs as its "breakthrough



A scientist at the NY Genome Center in New York demonstrates equipment used in single-cell RNA analysis on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2018.

of the year" for 2018. Its announcement declared, "The single-cell revolution is just starting."

A SLEW OF DISCOVERIES

Even complicated animals like us are really just massive communities of cells, each taking on a particular role and working with its neighbors. An average adult human has 37 trillion or so of them, and they're surprisingly varied: the inner lining of the colon, for example, has more than 50 kinds of cells.

It was just five years ago that methods for decoding of DNA and its chemical cousin RNA from individual cells became broadly accessible, according to the journal *Nature Methods*. New techniques are still being developed to pry more and more secrets out of individual cells.

The single-cell approach is

leading to a slew of discoveries. In just the past year, for example:

— Scientists closely tracked gene activity within fish and frog embryos, a step toward the longstanding goal of understanding how a single fertilized egg can produce an animal. One study compiled results from more than 92,000 zebrafish embryonic cells.

— Other researchers revealed details of the physical connection between pregnant women and the fetus, giving potential clues for understanding some causes of stillbirth.

— A study found a pattern of gene activity in some melanoma cells that let them resist immunotherapy, the practice of unleashing the body's immune system on cancer. That might lead to finding a way to render those cells vulnerable.

And a pair of other studies may affect research into cystic fibrosis, the genetic disease that causes lung infections and limits breathing ability. Scientists have long known that the disease stems from a faulty version of protein called CFTR. The studies identified a type of rare cell in the airway that makes large

amounts of CFTR, surpassing earlier but only dimly understood indications that such cells existed.

The discovery offers great potential for guiding the development of new treatments, said Dr. William Skach, senior vice president of research affairs for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Single-cell techniques will be important in studying them further for coming up with new therapies, he said. (Two co-authors of one paper are from the foundation).

At the MD Anderson Cancer Center of the University of Texas, Nicholas Navin uses single-cell DNA studies to reveal different patterns of mutations in various cells of a single tumor. That lets him reconstruct when and where those mutations appeared as the tumor evolved from benign cells. And he can identify cells that contain combinations of mutations that make them the most lethal.

Someday, such research should indicate what treatments to use for particular patients, or which patients have the highest risk of the disease progressing, he says. It might also allow doctors to check how well

their treatments are working against a cancer over time.

A decade or two from now, it might let doctors detect cancers very early by picking up and analyzing the DNA of rare cells in blood tests, he says.

MAPPING ALL THE CELLS

Meanwhile, the ability to produce single-cell results for hundreds of thousands of cells at a time has opened the door to a huge effort to catalog every cell type in the human body. More than 1,000 scientists from 57 countries have joined the Human Cell Atlas Consortium, which estimates it will eventually profile at least 10 billion cells found in both healthy and sick people.

Why do this? It's a natural follow to the big project that catalogued all the human genes, says co-organizer Aviv Regev, a biology professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and researcher at the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard. (Her salary is paid by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, which also supports The Associated Press Health & Science Department.)

The gene map led to identifying thousands of genetic variants that raise or lower the risk of many diseases.

But to turn that into therapies, scientists have to know in which cells those variants act, she said. And to run down those cells in the human body, "we have to map all of them."

Some cells are rarer than others, but these can be just as critical for a functioning body as their more plentiful neighbors, she said.

She hopes for a first draft of the cell atlas in about five years, focused on certain organs and tissues of the body. To finish the job might take about a decade, she figures.

Regev won't hazard a guess about how many cell types will be found for the entire human body.

"This is not going to cure all disease immediately," she said, but "it is a critical stepping stone." □

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Dolly-loving Brit Yola explores fusion of country and soul

By KRISTIN M. HALL

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) —

When singer-songwriter Yola was growing up in Bristol, England, her mother's vinyl records were just about the only form of amusement the family could afford.

"We didn't have like toys or anything so everything that I focused on was musical," said Yola, whose given name is Yolanda Quartey but now just goes by Yola. "And I got into Aretha and Dolly in this way."

Being a black British girl who loved Dolly Parton and classic American country and soul music did make her stand out a bit though.

"I just think in the U.K. it's a bit of a dirty word," 35-year-old Yola said. "You have to come out of the closet as a country lover. So yeah, it did make me somewhat of an oddity to be a weird 4-year-old singing '9 To 5.'" Yola's new album, "Walk Through Fire," is a return to her first musical inspirations and an exploration of the intersection of soul, country and pop combined with her background in songwriting. Since about 19, she's been a songwriter



This Feb. 21, 2019, photo shows British singer-songwriter Yola in Nashville, Tenn.

and vocalist who has been mainly working in electronic and dance music genres and collaborated with British pop singer Will Young, Bugz in the Attic and Massive Attack.

But she broke out in the Americana scene a couple of years ago as a solo artist with an incredibly versatile and powerful voice and she started making trips to Nashville to play festivals and shows.

A video of one of her performances made its way to

Black Keys singer and guitarist Dan Auerbach, who co-wrote and produced Yola's album, released last month, through his Nashville, Tennessee-based record label Easy Eye Sound. Auerbach brought Yola in for an intensive writing session alongside seasoned country and soul songwriters like Dan Penn, who co-wrote "Do Right Woman, Do Right Man," and A-list studio musician Bobby Wood, who has recorded with Elvis, Wilson Pickett, Kris

Kristofferson and George Strait. Other contributors to the record include Vince Gill and bluegrass musicians like Molly Tuttle and Stuart Duncan.

"She's incredibly inventive and she's a free-thinker and she's open to new ideas," Auerbach said. "I just lined our calendar with a bunch of genuine characters, different songwriters. Every few hours there was a different weirdo across the table from us."

With many of the col-

laborators having a background in '60s and '70s era of country and soul music, the music of the album feels like a mixture of Dusty Springfield vocals with elements of Laurel Canyon dreamy folk and some British Invasion pop and rock accents.

Auerbach said that even though he and Yola come from very different backgrounds, they had a commonality in the music they loved.

"The music that I loved for the most part wasn't made in Akron, Ohio," Auerbach said of his hometown.

"And it wasn't made in Bristol. But it was so powerful that it made its way all around the world. And I learned this music the exact same way Yola learned the music."

Yola took a lot of inspiration from the intermingling of genres, musicians and songs between cities like Memphis and Nashville.

"That's what fascinates me specifically about the '60 and '70s music, and the proximity of all these forms of music," Yola said. "That gives us freedom, a freedom to explore, to move between genres." □

Keith Flint, singer of electronic band The Prodigy, dies

By DANICA KIRKA

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Keith Flint, the fiery frontman of British dance-electronic band The Prodigy, was found dead Monday at his home near London, the band said. He was 49.

Prodigy co-founder Liam Howlett said in an Instagram post that Flint killed himself over the weekend. "I'm shell shocked ... confused and heart broken," he wrote.

Police confirmed that the body of a 49-year-old man had been found at a home in Brook Hill, northeast of London. They said the death was being treated as non-suspicious and a file would be sent to the coroner — standard practice in cases of violent or unexplained deaths.



In this file photo dated Monday, Aug. 3, 2009, British musician Keith Flint of Prodigy talks to the media after winning the best single for 'Omen' at the Kerrang Awards 2009, at the Brewery in London.

Associated Press

Flint was the stage persona of the band, whose 1990s hits "Firestarter" and "Breathe" were an incendiary fusion of techno, breakbeat and acid

house music.

He was renowned for his manic stage energy and distinctive look: black eyeliner and hair spiked into two horns.

"A true pioneer, innovator and legend," the band said in a statement confirming his death. "He will be forever missed."

The Prodigy sold 30 million records, helping to take rave music from an insular community of party-goers to an international audience. They had seven No. 1 albums in Britain, most recently with "No Tourists" in 2018.

The band attracted criticism for the 1997 single "Smack My Bitch Up," and the accompanying sex- and drug-fueled video. The National Organization for Women accused the song of encouraging violence against women, and it was banned by the BBC.

Born Keith Charles Flint on Sept. 17, 1969 in east Lon-

don, he moved to east of the city to Braintree, Essex as a child, where he met Howlett at a nightclub.

The Prodigy was formed in the early 1990s, with Howlett as producer and Flint originally employed as a dancer before becoming singer and the on-stage focal point.

The band's rise coincided with soul-searching in Britain over electronic dance music and its related drug culture, and the Prodigy became known as much for its anti-establishment stance as for its songs. The band members were vocal critics of the U.K.'s Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, which banned the raves popularized in the late-1980s during the so-called Second Summer of Love. □

'How to Train Your Dragon' stays No. 1, 'Madea' a strong 2nd

By **LINDSEY BAHR**
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World" topped the North American box office for a second week, but close on its tail was Tyler Perry's final installment of the "Madea" franchise. Driven by a largely female audience, "A Madea Family Funeral" had a better-than-expected debut. The third installment in the "How To Train Your Dragon" series grossed an estimated \$30 million this weekend according to Universal Pictures on Sunday, bringing its domestic total just shy of \$100 million. Worldwide, the DreamWorks Animation film has made over \$375 million. In China alone it opened in first place with \$33.4 million. "A Madea Family Funeral" took second place at the domestic box office with an estimated \$27 million, a third best for the 15-year-old franchise. The "Madea" films have never been all that popular with critics — this one splattered out with a 24 percent on Rot-



This image released by Universal Pictures shows characters Astrid, voiced by America Ferrera, left, and Hiccup, voiced by Jay Baruchel, in a scene from DreamWorks Animation's "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World."

ten Tomatoes — but audiences have never seemed to care. This time around the audience, which was 67 percent female and 78 percent over the age of 25, gave the film a solid A- CinemaScore. "That character just resonates," said Comscore senior media analyst Paul Dergarabedian. "These films are absolutely critic proof. The audience has spoken and they love Madea and they're saying goodbye." Further down the charts, the Neil Jordan stalker-thrill-

er "Greta," starring Isabelle Huppert and Chloe Grace Moretz, opened in eighth place to a mediocre \$4.6 million. "Greta was just another newcomer released in 2019 that had a rough go in a slow marketplace," Dergarabedian said. "This might have benefited from a platform release given the subject matter and the cast." The acclaimed docu-

mentary "Apollo 11" also opened on 120 IMAX screens to \$1.65 million. Many people, however, used this weekend to catch-up with the big winners at the Oscars, which took place last Sunday. Best-picture winner "Green Book" got the biggest post-Oscars bump, adding \$4.71 million over the weekend from theaters. To date, "Green Book" has earned \$75.2 million in North Amer-

ica and \$188 million worldwide. The Universal-distributed film from Participant Media more than doubled its theater count to 2,641 theaters and broke into the top 5 in its 16th weekend, not to mention the fact that it's also available to rent on the small screen too. For comparison, last year's best picture winner "The Shape of Water" added \$2.3 million on the weekend following the Academy Awards, although that was playing in about 1,000 fewer theaters. "Green Book" wasn't the only award-winner adding profits this weekend. Best Animated Feature winner "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse" banked an additional \$2.1 million, the encore version of "A Star Is Born" with 12 additional minutes of footage added \$1.9 million, "Bohemian Rhapsody" earned \$975,000 and "The Favourite" took in \$825,000. □

Janice Dean shines in 'Mostly Sunny'

By **LINCEE RAY**
Associated Press

"Mostly Sunny" (HarperCollins), by Janice Dean Most people may recognize Janice Dean as the morning meteorologist on "Fox and Friends." Her bubbly personality and willingness to partake in any and all food segments makes her a crowd favorite. But there is so much more to Dean than what we see on television. In her book "Mostly Sunny," readers get an honest, inside look at Dean's life outside the spotlight. Her stories span an array of topics, including women navigating a man's world, working mothers, the pitfalls of being a public figure, sexual harassment in the workplace and what it looks like to live with multiple sclerosis. Dean began her career in Canada, where she worked at a classic rock radio station. After a short stint in Houston, Dean accepted a position with "Imus in the



This cover image released by Harper shows "Mostly Sunny: How I Learned to Keep Smiling Through the Rainiest Days" by Janice Dean.

Associated Press Morning," becoming the news editor and entertainment reporter for the long-running New York-based radio program. In 2004, Dean joined the Fox News Channel as a daytime weather reporter. A year later, she went back to school for credits to apply for the American Meteorological Society's "seal of approval" and has

been in front of the green screen to this day. Working as an on-air personality did not shelter Dean from hardships. In a time when sexual harassment is no longer swept under the rug, Dean speaks openly about sexist bosses and inappropriate comments in the workplace. She's also honest about the pressures of staying fit and looking young for the camera. Dean details a painful story of how a cosmetic procedure almost cost her job. At the core of "Mostly Sunny" are the loves of Dean's life. Her husband and two sons are clearly the most important people in her orbit. She may forecast the weather every day, stand strong beside the women in her community, and champion those with MS, but it's evident that above all else, Dean is a wife and mother. Those three men provide the love she needs to be a ray of sunshine to others. □

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Grace Jones rocks Zendaya show as Valentino gets ovation

By THOMAS ADAMSON
Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — A one-off itinerant extravaganza courtesy of American designer Tommy Hilfiger's "buy-now" collaboration with actress-singer Zendaya gave Paris Fashion Week a case of Saturday night fever. On Sunday, Valentino's Pierpaolo Piccioli yet again received a standing ovation, and Thom Browne blurred the gender lines. Here are highlights from fall-winter ready-to-wear shows.

TOMMY'S SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

For Hilfiger's disco-inspired show, the Champs-Élysées Theatre flashed with Pac-Man and Space Invaders arcade games while excited guests, including British race car driver Lewis Hamilton and model Gigi Hadid, snacked on popcorn and candy jawbreakers.

The show celebrated diversity and was, in terms of sheer energy, unlike any other so far this season. Dozens of dancers on roller skates boogied amid flashing lights to greatest hits from the 1970s.

The collection itself, sadly, felt more high-street than high-fashion and rather paled in comparison to the ambitious spectacle.

Breton stripes led down to flared denim or leather pants, torso-hugging jumpsuits and a shimmering pleated silken gown with



A model wears a creation as part of the Thom Browne ready to wear Fall-Winter 2019-2020 collection, that was presented in Paris, Sunday, March 3, 2019.

a cape the model waved dramatically.

This fashion show was all about the show.

Whoops from the audience erupted as disco icon Grace Jones, wearing a shimmering peaked-shoulder tuxedo, thigh-high boots and leotard — danced out.

The show's finale track, "We Are Family", had even fashion insiders with perpetually pursed lips singing along.

ZENDAYA FOR TOMMY HILFIGER

American actress and singer Zendaya, 22, became the latest in a long line of celebrities to try their hand

at fashion design in Paris.

The "Spider-Man: Homecoming" star spoke to The Associated Press about receiving a phone call from Hilfiger to discuss a collaboration. "I got a call from Tommy Hilfiger himself, which was pretty crazy. I was not expecting that," she said.

Hilfiger gave her, she said, full control of the designs, which drew inspiration from "iconic women" of the late-1970s and early-1980s. Showing deep industry knowledge, Zendaya also referenced the famous "Battle of Versailles" fashion show held in in 1973 at France's Palace of Ver-

sailles. It pitted American designers such as Oscar de la Renta and Stephen Burrows against French designers Yves Saint Laurent, Pierre Cardin and Hubert de Givenchy.

VALENTINO'S OVATIONS

Another Pierpaolo Piccioli show, another standing ovation. The Valentino designer can do no wrong.

At least, that seemed to be the view of the fashion insiders who whooped and cheered as models stood under a giant neon text about love and loss dressed in colorful 1970s-style silken gowns for the finale Sunday.

The golden dome of the French capital's Invalides monument twinkled in the background. A book of verse given to every guest prompted gushing comments about Piccioli's artistic sensitivity. The styles, however, weren't fully deserving of such effusive praise and poetry.

There were, without a doubt, many beautiful styles: especially in the neck detailing that defined the fall-winter aesthetic.

Piccioli took the 70s trend and crowned it with the most diaphanous jabot collars and silk neck scarves seen all season. Tulle neck fringing fell like a wilting flower, fusing the 20th century era with a vibe of the Renaissance. Minimalist touches, such as a loose, black silk gown with the shoulders lobbed off, also hit a high note. But chunky butterfly embroideries and overly busy art prints jarred with the delicate designs in several looks.

GIVENCHY'S ORIGINAL SIN

As night fell on the Jardin des Plantes garden gates, dramatic one-meter-high letters were floodlit to spell out "GIVENCHY."

Guests eating red candy apples then entered an incredibly long annex runway constructed inside the gardens. Tree colonnades encroached the see-through roof, scratching it menacingly as the wind blew. □

German Carnival parades defy weather, poke fun at powerful



A carnival float depicts President Donald Trump as an angel of peace behind Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman with a bloody chain saw prior to the traditional carnival parade in Duesseldorf, Germany, on Monday, March 4, 2019.

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DUESSELDORF, Germany

(AP) — Germany's main Carnival parades got underway Monday in the face of some windy weather, with floats poking fun at U.S. President Donald Trump and British Prime Minister Theresa May.

Organizers trimmed some frills from the annual parades because of the weather front across western Germany. Parades in the traditional Carnival strongholds of Mainz, Cologne and Duesseldorf cut horses from Monday's

events. Cologne also decided to do without flags and signs, while the parades in Duesseldorf and Muenster were delayed for around two hours.

Some smaller parades, such as those in Bottrop and Fulda, were canceled altogether.

Revelers weren't letting the poor weather dampen the traditional Carnival irreverence. In Duesseldorf, one float portrayed a naked Trump as the guardian angel of a Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman Mohammed bin Salman clutching a bloody chain-

saw. That was a reference to the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi at the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul. The kingdom denies that the crown prince knew of a plot to kill Khashoggi.

Another float showed Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin ripping up a nuclear arms treaty. And a few weeks before Britain is due to leave the European Union, May was depicted with a long nose impaling a man wearing a Union Jack hat and carrying briefcases marked "economy." □

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